

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Supplemental Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**For Six Month Period Ending 1/31/2012

(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant

(b) Registration No.

Kobe Trade Information Office

2438

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

1001 Fourth Ave, Suite 2328  
Seattle, WA 98154

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

(a) If an individual:

(1) Residence address(es) Yes ☐ No ☐(2) Citizenship Yes ☐ No ☐(3) Occupation Yes ☐ No ☐

(b) If an organization:

(1) Name Yes ☐ No ☒(2) Ownership or control Yes ☐ No ☒(3) Branch offices Yes ☐ No ☒

(c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).**3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C<sup>1</sup>, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.Yes ☐ No ☒If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Connection Ended
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(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☐ No ☒

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Date Terminated
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(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Foreign Principal	Date Terminated
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6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

**II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒  
If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date of Termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒  
If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)

Date Acquired

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

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10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A<sup>3</sup> Yes ☐ No ☐Exhibit B<sup>4</sup> Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>2</sup> The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

<sup>3</sup> The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>4</sup> The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

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See Attachment A titled, "Calendar of Activities" for all short-form registrants

12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

<sup>5</sup> The term "political activity" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

**IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION****14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>6</sup>

Date	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
8/12/2011	Kobe Gov't	Office Budget Quarterly Deposit	45,517.22
8/24/2011	Soc. Sec. Dept	SS Overpayment refund	46.02
10/6/2011	Kobe Student Exchange Program	Reimbursement to KTIO for airport shuttle costs	180.00
10/20/2011	Kobe Gov't	Director's Salary	12,575
10/26/2011	CenturyLink	Account Refund	110.37
12/20/2011	Kobe Gov't	Office Budget Quarterly Deposit	61,765.21

\$120,193.82

Total

**(b) RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_

**(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	Thing of Value	Purpose
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<sup>6, 7</sup> A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

<sup>8</sup> An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

<sup>9</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

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**15. (a) DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
	See Attachment B titled "Disbursement of Monies" for the detailed report		

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Total

**(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Recipient	Foreign Principal	Thing of Value	Purpose
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**(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or Thing of Value	Political Organization or Candidate	Location of Event
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10, 11 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

**V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?<sup>12</sup>

Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes, go to Item 17.

(b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

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18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- ☐ Radio or TV broadcasts ☐ Magazine or newspaper ☐ Motion picture films ☐ Letters or telegrams  
☐ Advertising campaigns ☐ Press releases ☒ Pamphlets or other publications ☐ Lectures or speeches  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronic Communications**

- ☒ Email  
☒ Website URL(s): http://www.cityofkobe.org  
☒ Social media websites URL(s): http://www.facebook.com/pages/KTIO-Seattle-branch-of-Kobe-City-Japan/123445597735  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- ☐ Public officials ☐ Newspapers ☐ Libraries  
☐ Legislators ☐ Editors ☐ Educational institutions  
☒ Government agencies ☐ Civic groups or associations ☐ Nationality groups  
☒ Other (specify) Travel Agents, Nonprofits

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- ☒ English ☒ Other (specify) Japanese (website only)

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☒ No ☐

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes ☒ No ☐

<sup>12</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.



**VI - EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature<sup>13</sup>)

February 17, 2012

/s/ Toshihiko Nakamura

eSigned

<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

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AUG 2011 to JAN 2012  
CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR:  
Toshihiko Nakamura  
Laura Hoak-Kagey

ATTACHMENT A  
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START DATE	START TIME	END TIME	DESCRIPTION
8/1/2011	10:30AM	11:30AM	Mr. Nakamura and Laura took Ms. Umeda, the Kobe Festival Ambassador, to Sea-Tac Airport for her return flight to Japan.
8/11/2011	2:00PM	2:45PM	Mr. Nakamura met with Terry Nakano, chair of the Japanese Community Queen Scholarship Program, who introduced the new 2011 Queen, Frederica Mackert in the KTIO conference room.
8/22/2011	10:50AM	11:55AM	Yuko Kobayashi (Kobe Jazz Queen Winner) met with Mr. Nakamura, in the KTIO conference room.
8/22/2011	7:00PM	9:30PM	Mr. Nakamura and Laura attend the 2011 Kobe Jazz Vocal Queen performance at Jazz Alley, in Seattle.
8/26/2011	5:30PM	8:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attended the Seattle-Hyogo Seminar at the Renaissance Hotel in Seattle.
9/2/2011	6:00PM	8:30PM	Mr. Nakamura gave a presentation about Washington State industry to the Kobe Mechanics and Ironworkers' Association at the Morton Steakhouse in Seattle.
9/30/2011	11:00AM	11:45AM	Mr. Nakamura and Laura go to meet the Kobe Ambassador High School Exchange Students at Sea-Tac Airport.
10/5/2011	9:00AM	11:00AM	Mr. Nakamura goes to Sea-Tac Airport to see off the Kobe Ambassador High School Exchange Students.
11/4/2011	1:00PM	1:40PM	Mr. Nakamura and Laura have a meeting with Karin Zaugg-Black in Seattle to discuss the upcoming Kobe Deputy Mayor's visit and plans for next year's Seattle-Kobe 55th Sister-City Anniversary.
11/13/2011	6:00AM	3:50PM	Mr. Nakamura departs on American flight 370 to Philadelphia via Chicago.
11/14/2011	3:00PM	4:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attended a courtesy call to the Philadelphia mayor's office.
11/15/2011	10:00AM	11:00AM	Mr. Nakamura visited Bodine High School of International Affairs in Philadelphia.
11/15/2011	12:00PM	3:00PM	Mr. Nakamura visited Penn State University.
11/15/2011	6:00PM	8:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attended a reception held by the Japan America Society of Greater Philadelphia in Philadelphia, PA.
11/16/2011	7:30AM	10:31AM	Mr. Nakamura departs Philadelphia for Seattle on United Flight 2966.
11/16/2011	3:15PM	3:30PM	Mr. Nakamura accompanies Kobe Deputy Mayor Saburo Nakamura, Mr. Matsuda (Kobe International Division), Mr. Ikeda (Kobe City Assembly Vice Chairperson), Mr. Wakamatsu (Kobe Medical Development Project Promotion Office), and Ms. Yamagami (Kobe City Council Office Director) to meet with Seattle Mayor Mike McGinn.
11/16/2011	6:00PM	7:30PM	Mr. Nakamura accompanies Kobe Deputy Mayor Saburo Nakamura to a dinner meeting in Seattle with Karin Zaugg-Black, the President of the Seattle-Kobe Sister Cities Association.

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AUG 2011 to JAN 2012  
CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR:  
Toshihiko Nakamura  
Laura Hoak-Kagey

ATTACHMENT A  
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START DATE	START TIME	END TIME	DESCRIPTION
11/17/2011	5:30AM	6:00AM	Mr. Nakamura takes Kobe Deputy Mayor Saburo Nakamura to the airport.
11/17/2011	6:30PM	8:30PM	Mr. Nakamura attends the Japan Young Professionals Group Business Event, Sustainable Sushi, at the Nagomi Tea House in Seattle.
12/5/2011	3:00PM	4:15PM	Laura and Mr. Nakamura met with Karin Zaugg-Black, President of the Seattle-Kobe Sister City Association, to discuss the upcoming 55th Anniversary events in 2012.
12/8/2011	12:00PM	2:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attends a celebration for the Japanese Emperor's birthday at the Japanese Consulate in Seattle.
12/8/2011	2:00PM	3:30PM	Mr. Nakamura attends the Memorial Service for former Seattle Mayor Gordon Clinton at the Bayview Retirement Center in Seattle.
12/13/2011	5:30PM	6:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attends the Teacher Homecoming Reception at Sammamish High School in Bellevue.
1/11/2012	9:15AM	10:00AM	Mr. Masayuki Morio from Nippon Express comes to KTIO to discuss shipping options.
1/11/2012	6:00PM	8:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attends the New Year's celebration for the Japan-America Society/Japan Young Professionals Group at the O'Asian Kitchen and Restaurant in Seattle.
1/24/2012	7:15AM	10:21AM	Mr. Nakamura departs on flight Delta 2050 to Salt Lake City, Utah.
1/24/2012	8:30AM	1:10PM	Laura flies to Salt Lake City, UT on flights Alaska Airlines 2473 and Delta 2189.
1/25/2012	9:00AM	1:30PM	Laura and Mr. Nakamura attend the Japan Showcare at the Salt Lake City Marriott Hotel.
1/25/2012	4:59PM	8:10PM	Laura returns to Seattle via flights Delta 1760 and Alaska Airlines 2239.
1/25/2012	7:58PM	9:15PM	Mr. Nakamura returns to Seattle on flight Delta 1957.
1/28/2012	5:00PM	8:00PM	Mr. Nakamura attends the Seattle-Kobe Sister City Association New Year Party in Edmonds, WA.
1/29/2012	12:00PM	2:45PM	Mr. Nakamura attends Hatsugama New Year's Tea Ceremony at the Nogomi Tea House in Seattle.

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Disbursement of Monies

Attachment B  
1Summary Report  
8/1/2011 through 1/31/2012

<u>Expense Categories</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Category Totals</u>
<b>Office Expenses</b>		
Rent	\$18,249.71	
Operating (consumables)	\$2,151.92	
Office Equipment/Software	\$1,210.00	
Communication	\$2,023.41	
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>		\$23,635.04
<b>Personnel</b>		
Tax	\$4,992.75	
Housing	\$7,551.36	
Insurance	\$2,274.49	
Retirement	\$1,633.31	
Salary	\$22,540.48	
Regional Transport Pass	\$909.00	
<b>Total Personnel</b>		\$39,901.39
<b>Project</b>		
Travel	\$6,073.90	
Memberships/Subscriptions	\$1,335.60	
Company Car Maintenance & Misc.	\$8,578.92	
Business Meetings/Conferences	\$0.00	
Advertising	\$72.00	
<b>Total Project</b>		\$16,060.42
<b>Grand Total</b>		\$79,596.85

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## Disbursement of Monies

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Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
8/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Aug 2011 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,605.87
8/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Aug 2011 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
8/2/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	August 2011 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-153
8/2/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Mileage Reimbursement (Seafair)	Personnel:Mileage	-52.73
		Parking near Seattle Center	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-18.31
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Sponges	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-3.27
	American Honda Finance Corp			
8/2/2011	Corp	#102714956 - August 2011	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-450
8/3/2011	Global Career Partners, Inc	Temp to Hire Fee Inv #2011031	Personnel:Salary	-3,864.00
8/3/2011	Global Career Partners, Inc	Inv #82073111 / Due 8/15/11	Personnel:Salary	-1,856.25
8/9/2011	Regence Blueshield	#110147217 / Aug 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-187
	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co			
8/9/2011	0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Aug 2011	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
8/16/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Aug 1-15 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
8/16/2011	Business Card	Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-28.79
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-26.49
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-50.24
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-50.3
		Parking	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6
		Car Wash	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-31.21
		Parking	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1
		Parking	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-3
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-44.5
8/16/2011	Verizon Wireless	#464222662-00007 / July 7 - Aug 6	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-79.35
8/17/2011	EFTPS	Aug 2011 Federal Taxes	Personnel:Tax	-640.4
8/17/2011	FARA Filing Fee	Justice Report	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-305
8/24/2011	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura - Aug 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
		Laura - Sept 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
		Nakamura - Sept 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
8/24/2011	Regence Blueshield	#110147217 / Sept 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-187
8/24/2011	KTIO (Deposit)	Marie Menard SS overpmt refund		46.02
8/29/2011	The Shelby	September Rent	Personnel:Housing	-1,258.56
8/29/2011	Toshihiko Nakamura	Hotel Reimbursement (4 nights)	Business Trips:BIO Conference	-668.11
			Office Expenses (Business):Memberships -	
			Subscriptions	-72.8
8/29/2011	Seattle Times Company	Newspaper ST Subscription 9/12-12/11/11	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-110.82
8/29/2011	CenturyLink	Acct. 206-222-0101 607B		
8/31/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Aug 16-31 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
8/31/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Tea	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-10.87
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Postage (Receipt Copies to Japan)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-18.55
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Highlighters, USB Hub	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-16.07
8/31/2011	Marie Menard	Rec'd SS Refund due to overpmt (April)	Personnel:Tax Refund	-46
8/31/2011	Check Enclosure Charge	BoA Fee	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-5
<b>Total Month Ending 8/31/2011</b>				<b>-15,938.95</b>

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9/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Sept 2011 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,605.87
9/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Sept 2011 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
9/1/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Sept 2011 Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
9/1/2011	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co	0030 / 88051272075 - Sept 2011	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
9/1/2011	American Honda Finance Corp	#102714956 - Sept 2011	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-450
9/15/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Sept 1-15 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
9/15/2011	EFTPS	Sept 2011 Fed Taxes	Personnel:Tax	-640.4
9/15/2011	Verizon Wireless	Sept 7- Oct 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-85.91
9/15/2011	Department Of Licensing	Plate #0872QY 2012 Tabs	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-135.75
9/15/2011	Business Card	External Hard drive	Office Expenses (Business):Office Equipment - Software	-120.44
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-52.68
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-21.12
		New Dell Laptop	Office Expenses (Business):Office Equipment - Software	-656.98
		New Software for Laptop	Office Expenses (Business):Office Equipment - Software	-269.36
		Office Depot Paper	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-57.58
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-35.91
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-34.60
9/15/2011	Transfer From Bus Imax	5310260293		15,000.00
9/23/2011	CenturyLink	Acct. 206-682-6227 8298	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-240.03
9/23/2011	Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Oct 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-240
9/23/2011	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura - Oct 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
		Nakamura - Oct 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
9/23/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Postage (Japan)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2.17
		Ink Cartridges (2 Blue/2 Yellow)	Office Expenses (Business):Office Equipment - Software	-56.9
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Dish Soap	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.96
		Tea (Green, Hoji-cha)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-11.18
9/29/2011	The Shelby	October Rent	Personnel:Housing	-1,258.56
9/30/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Sept 16-30 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
9/30/2011	Check Enclosure Charge	BoA Fee	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-5
<b>Total Month Ending 9/30/2011</b>				<b>-10,145.75</b>

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10/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	October 2011 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,605.87
10/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	October 2011 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
10/1/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	October 2011 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126.00
10/1/2011	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co 0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Oct 2011	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
10/3/2011	American Honda Finance Corp	#102714956 - Oct 2011	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-450.00
10/6/2011	Employment Security Department	Qrtly Rpt ES254272000/910741102	Personnel:Tax	-29.12
10/6/2011	Department Of Labor & Industries	Qrtly Report Hrs 601-141-466	Personnel:Tax	-3.68
10/6/2011	KTIO Deposit	Shuttle Reimbursement		180.00
10/14/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Oct 1-15 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
10/14/2011	Business Card	Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-34.94
		Phone Car Charger	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-23.90
		Flat Tire Replacement	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-216.44
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-50.65
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-32.70
		High School Student Shuttle	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-180.00
		Parking (Greet Kobe Students)	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-3.00
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-50.18
		Parking (Send off Kobe Students)	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-6.00
10/14/2011	Verizon Wireless	Oct 7- Nov 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-86.23
10/14/2011	EFTPS	Social Security	Personnel:Tax	-291.20
		Medicare	Personnel:Tax	-81.20
		Federal Tax Withholdings	Personnel:Tax	-268.00
10/18/2011	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura - Nov 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
		Nakamura - Nov 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
10/18/2011	Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Nov 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-240.00
10/18/2011	North American Post	New Year's Greeting 2012	Advertising (Business)	-72.00
10/26/2011	KTIO Deposit	CenturyLink Refund		110.37
10/27/2011	Online Transfer From Savings		[BUS IMAX 0293]	15,000.00
10/31/2011	OCS America, Inc	3 month Nikkei renewal	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-315.00
10/31/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Creamer, Cleaning Wipes	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.26
		Stamps, Cert. mail (taxes)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-12.09
		Creamer, Tea	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.68
		Green Tea, Hoji-cha	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-10.04
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
10/31/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Oct 16-31 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
10/31/2011	The Shelby	November Rent	Personnel:Housing	-1,258.56
10/31/2011	CenturyLink	Acct. 206-222-0101 607B	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-312.64
10/31/2011		Bank of America Checking Acct. Fee	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-5.00
<b>Total Month Ending 10/31/2011</b>				<b>-9,814.73</b>

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11/1/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	November 2011 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
11/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	November 2011 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,605.87
11/1/2011	NOP-1001 4th LLC	November 2011 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
11/1/2011	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co 0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Nov 2011	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
11/1/2011	American Honda Finance Corp	#102714956 - Nov 2011	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-450
11/10/2011	The Hartford	Acct #5210889933 Bus. Insurance	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-518
11/15/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Nov 1-15 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
11/16/2011	EFTPS	Social Security/Medicare/Tax	Personnel:Tax	-640.4
11/17/2011	Business Card	Flight to Philadelphia	Business Trips:Air Travel	-462.4
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-37.54
		Office Chair	Office Expenses (Business):Office Equipment - Software	-128.1
		Computer Glare Screen	Office Expenses (Business):Office Equipment - Software	-35.12
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-41.52
		InMotion Webhosting (1yr)	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-83.4
		Oil Change	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-73.59
11/17/2011	Verizon Wireless	Nov 7- Dec 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-289.85
11/17/2011	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura - Dec 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
		Nakamura - Dec 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-47.33
11/22/2011	Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Dec 2011	Personnel:Insurance	-240
11/22/2011	Liberty Northwest	Acct #029-6685-633-02	Car Expenses & Maintenance:Car Insurance	-2,542.00
11/23/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		2012 Weekly Planner, Filing Folders	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-33.18
		Stamps	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-8.8
11/30/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Nov 16-30 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
11/30/2011	The Shelby	December Rent	Personnel:Housing	-1,258.56
11/30/2011	Laura Hoak-Kagey	December 2011 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
<b>Total Month Ending 11/30/2011</b>				<b>-12,739.57</b>



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12/1/2011 NOP-1001 4th LLC	December 2011 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
12/1/2011 NOP-1001 4th LLC	December 2011 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,605.87
12/1/2011 Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co 0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Dec 2011	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
12/1/2011 CenturyLink	Acct. 206-222-0101 607B	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-192.25
12/1/2011 Jen, Inc.	Inv #22080 Website Domain renewal	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-15
12/1/2011 Online Transfer From Savings		[BUS IMAX 0293]	15,000.00
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12/6/2011 PIP Printing	Christmas Cards Inv #20883	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-402.88
12/6/2011 Laura Hoak-Kagey	Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
	Washington Christmas Cards (Box)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.56
	Sympathy Card and Folder	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-3.04
	Hand Towels	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.56
	High Quality Paper	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-14.77
	Flowers for Gordon Clinton Service	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-121
12/14/2011 Seattle Times Company	Newspaper ST Subscription 12/25/11-3/24/12	Office Expenses (Business):Memberships - Subscriptions	-72.8
12/14/2011 Laura Hoak-Kagey	Stamps (Christmas Cards)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-44
	Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
12/14/2011 SKSCA	2012 Membership	Office Expenses (Business):Memberships - Subscriptions	-125
12/15/2011 Laura Hoak-Kagey	Dec 1-15 2011	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
12/15/2011 EFTPS	Dec 2011 Fed Taxes	Personnel:Tax	-640.4
12/15/2011 Laura Hoak-Kagey	2011 Bonus	Personnel:Salary	-2,621.43
12/15/2011 EFTPS	Bonus 2011 Fed Taxes	Personnel:Tax	-1,447.74
12/16/2011 Verizon Wireless	Dec 7- Jan 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-70.97
12/16/2011 Business Card	Car Wash	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-37.22
	Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-49.79
	Travelodge Philadelphia	Business Trips:Hotel	-171.65
	Flight to Philadelphia	Business Trips:Air Travel	-437.4
	Sea-Tac parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-105
	Flight to Seattle	Business Trips:Air Travel	-840.7
	Baggage Fee	Business Trips:Air Travel	-30
	Mariott Philadelphia	Business Trips:Hotel	-497.67
	Sea-Tac parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-4
	Sea-Tac parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-4
	Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-30.26
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12/20/2011 Northwest Employers Trust	Laura Jan 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
	Nakamura Jan 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
12/20/2011 The Shelby	January 2012 Rent	Personnel:Housing	-1,258.56
12/20/2011 NOP-1001 4th LLC	January 2012 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
12/20/2011 Laura Hoak-Kagey	Dec 16-31	Personnel:Salary	-1,186.90
12/20/2011 Laura Hoak-Kagey	January 2012 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
12/20/2011 Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co 0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Jan 2012	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
12/20/2011 Toshihiko Nakamura	BIO Daily Allowance (5 days)	Business Trips:BIO Conference	-446.4
	Philadelphia Allowance (3 days)	Business Trips	-241.47
12/20/2011 Toshihiko Nakamura	METRO Fares	Business Trips:BIO Conference	-27.95
	SEPTA Fares	Business Trips	-14
12/20/2011 NOP-1001 4th LLC	January 2012 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,610.18
12/21/2011 Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Jan 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-240
12/21/2011 Online Transfer From Savings			15,000.00
<b>Total Month Ending 12/31/2011</b>			<b>-19,710.98</b>

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1/5/2012	American Honda Finance Corp	#102714956 - Jan 2012	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-450
1/5/2012	CenturyLink	Acct. 206-Z22-0101 607B	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-193.02
1/5/2012	Nippon Travel Agency	Jan 25 Salt Lake City	Business Trips:Registration Fees	-250
		Salt Lake Addt'l Participant	Business Trips:Registration Fees	-50
		Feb 22 Dallas	Business Trips:Registration Fees	-250
		Dallas Addt'l Participant	Business Trips:Registration Fees	-50
		Feb 23 Phoenix	Business Trips:Registration Fees	-250
		Phoenix Addt'l Participant	Business Trips:Registration Fees	-50
1/6/2012	Employment Security Department	Qrtly Rpt ES254272000/910741102	Personnel:Tax	-63.33
1/6/2012	Department Of Labor & Industries	Qrtly Report Hrs 601-141-466	Personnel:Tax	-58.88
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1/13/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Stamps	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-13.7
		International Stamp (Japan)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-0.98
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Tea (Hoji-cha, Green Tea)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.76
		Glue, Red Pens	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-17.17
		IRS Certified Mail (Taxes)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.58
		Paper (for JNTO Presentation)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-32.85
		Matte Picture Paper (JNTO Presentation)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-13.68
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
1/13/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Jan 1-15 2012	Personnel:Salary	-1,164.90
			Office Expenses (Business):Memberships - Subscriptions	-750
1/13/2012	WBBA	WBBA 2012 Annual Membership		-684.4
1/13/2012	EFTPS	Jan 2012 Fed Taxes/SS/Medicare	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-71.59
1/17/2012	Verizon Wireless	Jan 7- Feb 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-22.36
1/17/2012	Business Card	Uwajimaya	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-47.07
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-44.79
		Gas	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-37.16
		Posterboards (JNTO)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-8.75
1/23/2012	Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Feb 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-240
1/23/2012	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura Feb 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
		Nakamura Feb 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
1/26/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Salt Lake Hotel Allowance	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-173.06
		Salt Lake Daily Allowance (x2)	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-113.66
		Bus from SLC Airport	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-2.25
		Seatac Parking (2 days)	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-29.17
		Sake (Salt Lake Door Prize)	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-32.07
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Creamer	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.89
		Alaska Baggage Fee	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-20
		Delta Baggage Fee	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-25
1/26/2012	Toshihiko Nakamura	Salt Lake Daily Allowance (2)	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-160.08
		Bus from Salt Lake Airport	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-2.25
		Lightrail to Seatac	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-2.75
		Lightrail to Seatac	Business Trips:Japan Showcase	-2.75
1/30/2012	CenturyLink	206-Z22-0101 / Feb 2012	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-192.35
1/31/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Jan 16-31	Personnel:Salary	-1,164.90
1/31/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	February 2012 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
1/31/2012	NOP-1001 4th LLC	February 2012 Rent	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,610.18
1/31/2012	NOP-1001 4th LLC	February 2012 Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
1/31/2012	The Shelby Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co	February 2012 Rent	Personnel:Housing	-1,258.56
1/31/2012	0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Feb 2012	Personnel:Retirement	-233.33
<b>Total Month Ending 1/31/2012</b>				<b>-11,552.82</b>



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# Feel KOBE

Romantic City







## Kitano Foreigners' Residences

北野異人館

Many early foreign settlers to Kobe took up residences in Kitano, an area overlooking the ocean. Some of their old western-style houses still exist and are open to the public. The Weathercock House, with its symbol, the weathercock, over its delta roof, and the Moegi House, which was built as a residence for the US Consulate General in 1903, are two of the most famous foreigners' residences in Kitano.



## Old Foreign Settlement

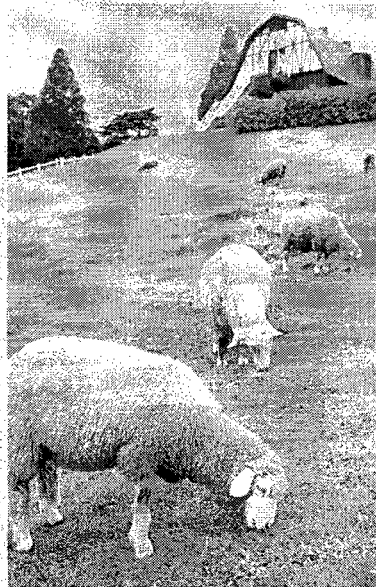
旧居留地

The Old Foreign Settlement was developed as a business district for foreigners when the Port of Kobe opened in 1868. Old western-style buildings made of brick and stones that are now used as restaurants and other shopping and office buildings in the area give its streets a European look.



## Welcome to the sophisticated city of Kobe.

An International tourism city in Japan, blessed with modern and historic flavors.



## Mt. Rokko

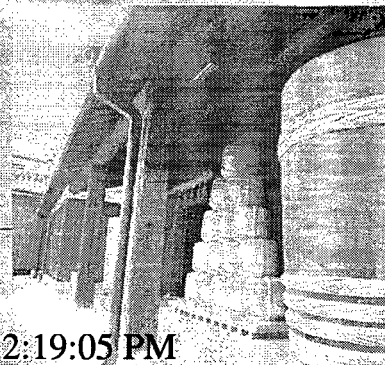
六甲山

Only half an hour from the city center and offering beautiful nature throughout the year is Mt. Rokko, standing 931 meters high. In addition to the panoramic view of Kobe and Osaka from the mountain top, there are many attractions in the area such as the Rokkasan Pasture and the Rokko Garden Terrace, offering a day of excitement for all ages.

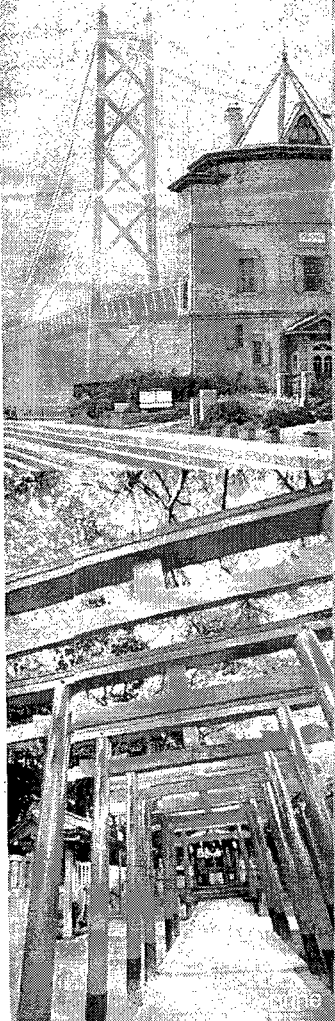
## Nada Sake Breweries

灘の酒蔵

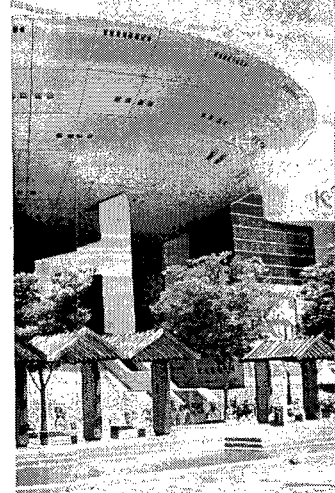
Nada, on the ocean side of the area in and between Kobe and Osaka, is the most famous district for sake brewing in Japan. The area is dotted with sake museums, assisting the art of



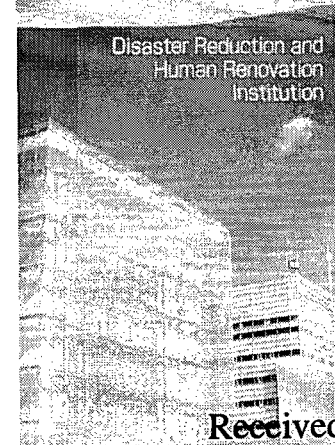
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Kobe Fashion Museum



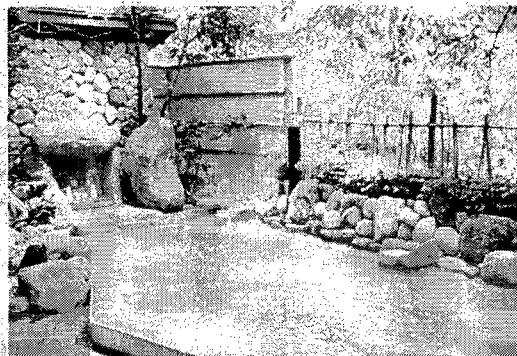
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## Nankin Machi

南京町

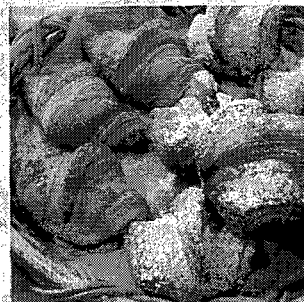
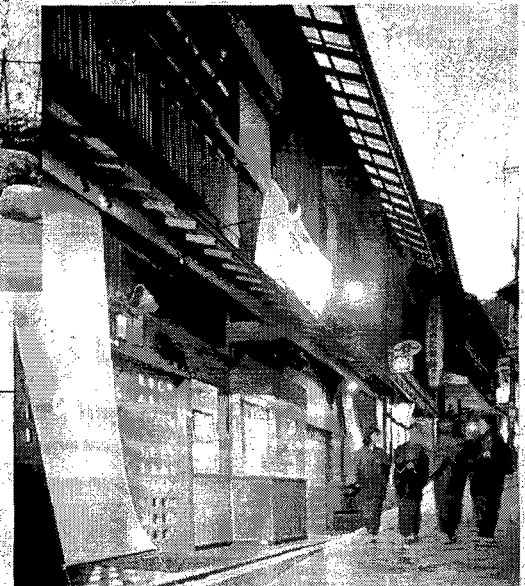
Nankin Machi is a small Chinatown overflowing with a rich oriental atmosphere. The area runs about 200 m east-west and about 100 m north-south, and is demarcated by the symbolic gates of Choan-mon to the east, Seian-mon to the west and Minamiro-mon to the south. The area is packed with Chinese restaurants, grocers and sundries shops, and is always alive with activity.



## Arima Hot Springs

有馬温泉

Arima Hot Springs, with over 1000 years of history, is the oldest hot spring resort in Japan. Arima is renowned for the excellence and variety of its hot spring waters, such as the 'Gold' (or Red) springs with high iron and salt content, and 'Silver' springs with transparent waters containing radium or carbonic acid. There are many hotels and Japanese inns with such hot springs, as well as convenient bathhouses for tourists to stop by and take baths without staying at hotels or inns.

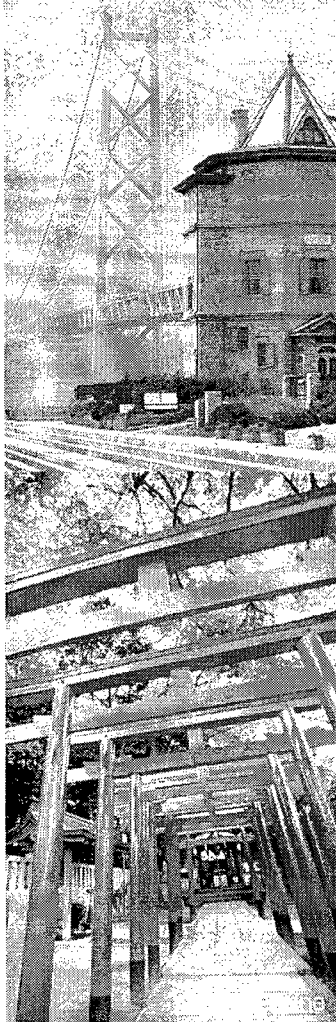


## Kobe Gourmet

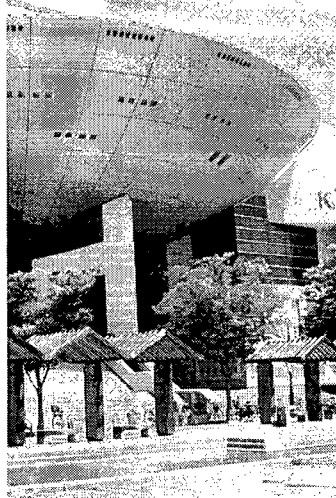
神戸のグルメ

Kobe is world-famous for Kobe Beef, the finest beef in Japan. Many visitors also come to enjoy the country's many delicious breads and confectionery made in Kobe. Sake from Nara

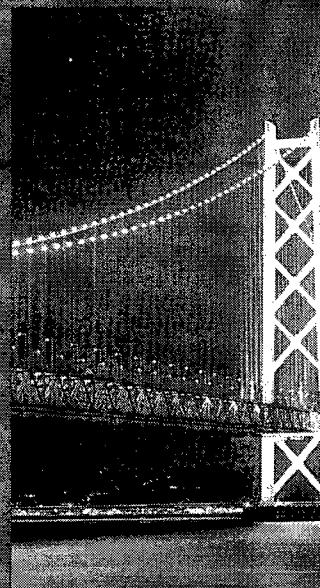




Kobe Fashion Museum

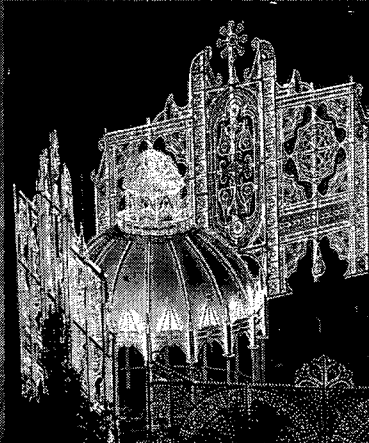


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## Kobe Luminarie

ルミナリエ



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On January 17, 1995, Kobe was struck by a strong, epicentral earthquake, known as the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake. Kobe Luminarie lights up the city every mid December in a "sculpture of light" as a requiem to those who perished in the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake and a symbol of dreams and hopes of rebuilding the city from that disaster. Glowing like sculptures of light, the illuminated arches light up the streets and warm the hearts of those who come.



## Akashi Kaikyo Bridge

明石海峡大橋

Akashi Kaikyo Bridge, spanning 3911 meters long and 297 meters high from the sea surface to the top of its main tower, is the world's longest suspension bridge. When lit up at night, the bridge looks like a string of pearls that changes color depending on the time and season.

## Meriken Park

メリケンパーク

Meriken Park, facing the ocean, is a spacious park with abundant greenery. In the evening, the park becomes an ideal spot to see the beautifully illuminated landmarks of Kobe, the Port Tower and the Kobe Maritime Museum.

## Harborland

ハーバーランド

Harborland is a popular waterfront area in Kobe, with everything from shops and restaurants to a cinema complex and an amusement park. Harbor cruises also offer a beautiful night view of the city.



## Ten-million-dollar night view ~from Mt. Shisho~

So beautiful is Kobe at night that it is called a city with a ten-million-dollar night view. Overlooking the city from scenic locations such as

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## A 4x3 grid of 12 black and white photographs. The images depict various scenes from the 1964 Tokyo Olympics: athletes in action, spectators at events, the Olympic torch, and other Olympic-related activities. The photos are arranged in four rows and three columns. The first row shows a close-up of a person's face, a person in a dynamic pose, and a person in a dynamic pose. The second row shows a person in a dynamic pose, a person in a dynamic pose, and a person in a dynamic pose. The third row shows a person in a dynamic pose, a person in a dynamic pose, and a person in a dynamic pose. The fourth row shows a person in a dynamic pose, a person in a dynamic pose, and a person in a dynamic pose.



## A collage of black and white photographs showing various scenes from the 1950s. The images include a large crowd of people, a building with a sign that reads "HOTEL", a street scene with a car, and a large crowd of people. The photos are arranged in a grid-like fashion, with some overlapping. The overall theme is the social and cultural life of the 1950s.

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# History of KOBE

## Ancient Times ~ Edo Period

Kobe is a port city with centuries of history. Its port came to be developed due to several factors: its position on the Seto Inland Sea, Kobe's location in the center of Japan, its deep waters, and its good climate.

During the Nara period (710-784 C.E.), the port, known then as "Owada no Tonari," was already a major port of trade with China and other foreign countries. In addition, the beautiful coastline of Suma and Mariko, located in western Kobe, served as the backdrop for many waka and haiku poems, and other famous literary works as The Tale of Genji (approximately late 9th-early 10th century) and the Tale of Genji (14th century).

For a short time, the capital of Japan was moved from Kyoto to Kobe's Fuku-

hara. At the same time, Kobe became a center of military activity. Many famous battles followed the Battle of Minatogawa in 1184.

In later years, Kobe's port played an important role as a sea traffic center for the Seto Inland Sea and the Japan Sea. It was also a road station along the San'yō Highway, a major highway from Kyoto to western Japan. Toyokuni Hideyoshi, the great general and unifier of Japan, loved Arima Onsen in the north of Kobe, and often came to visit.

Kobe also flourished in the Edo period (1603-1867). Using its ideal natural environment, it became a sake-making center. Nada no Ki (Nippori Sake) became famous throughout the country. Even today, Kobe is proud to be the number one sake producing area in the country.

## Meiji Period ~ (1868-1912)

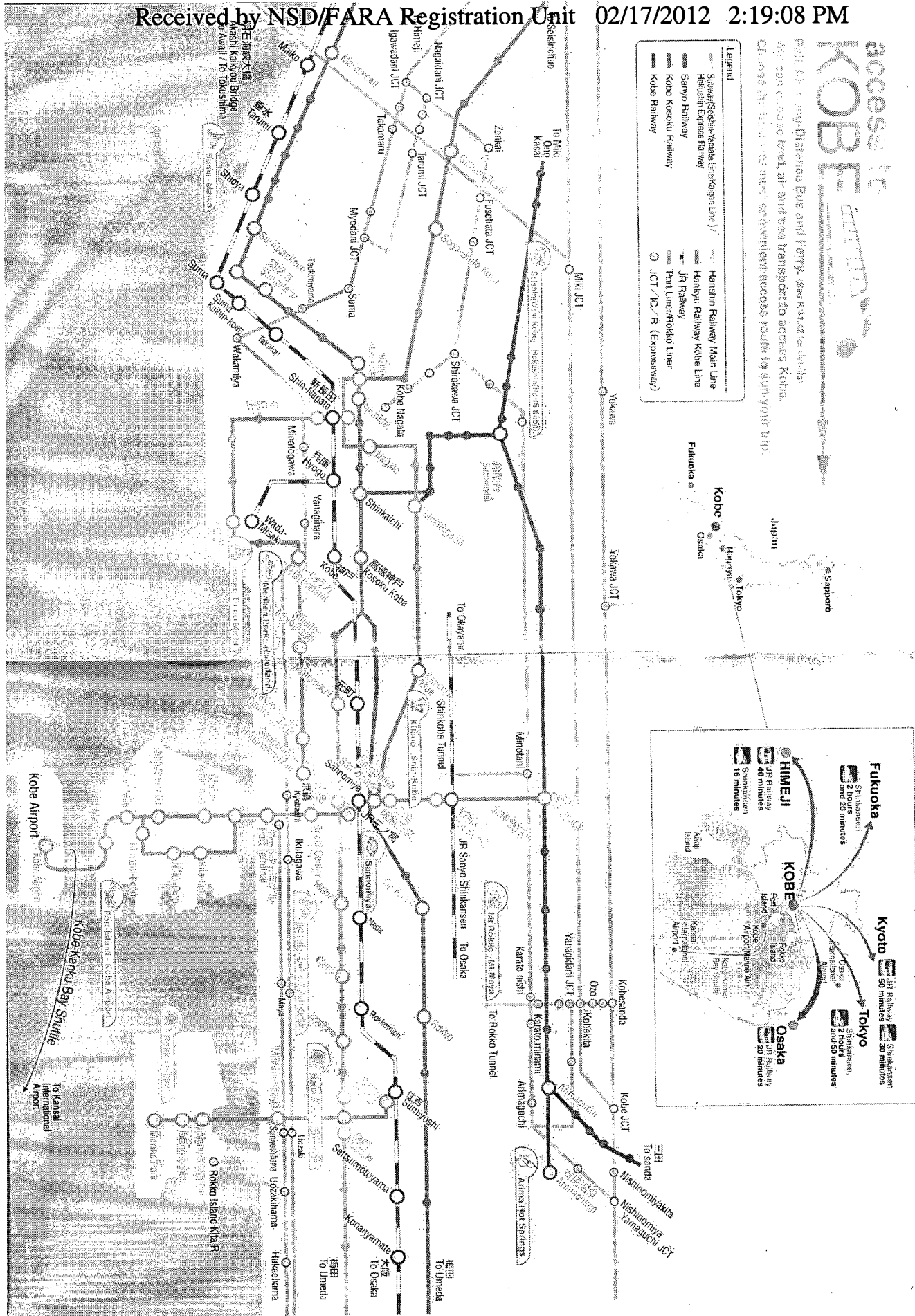
After a long period of national isolation, Japan opened its doors to the world following the arrival of Commodore Matthew Perry and Townsend Harris. The opening of the Port of Kobe on January 1, 1868 allowed Kobe to develop into an international port city and during the Meiji period, Kobe established itself as one of Japan's major ports.

After the opening of the port, many Americans and Europeans came to Kobe, establishing a Foreigners' Settlement. Through them, Western food, clothes, and entertainment found their way into Japan, making Kobe one of the first cities in Japan to be introduced to foreign culture. Kobe is also known as the birthplace of jazz and the cinema in Japan. Other products developed in Kobe during this time include clothes, furniture, confectioneries, and beer are still to this day Kobe's signature goods.

## Hanshin Earthquake ~ Present

On January 17, 1995 at 5:46 a.m., an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.2 hit the Kobe area, taking thousands of lives in only a few seconds. Through the cooperation of Kobe's citizens, businesses, and administration, the city recovered quickly. Many monuments have been erected and commemoration activities commenced to prevent the memories of the earthquake from fading, and to pass on the lessons learned during the disaster to future generations.

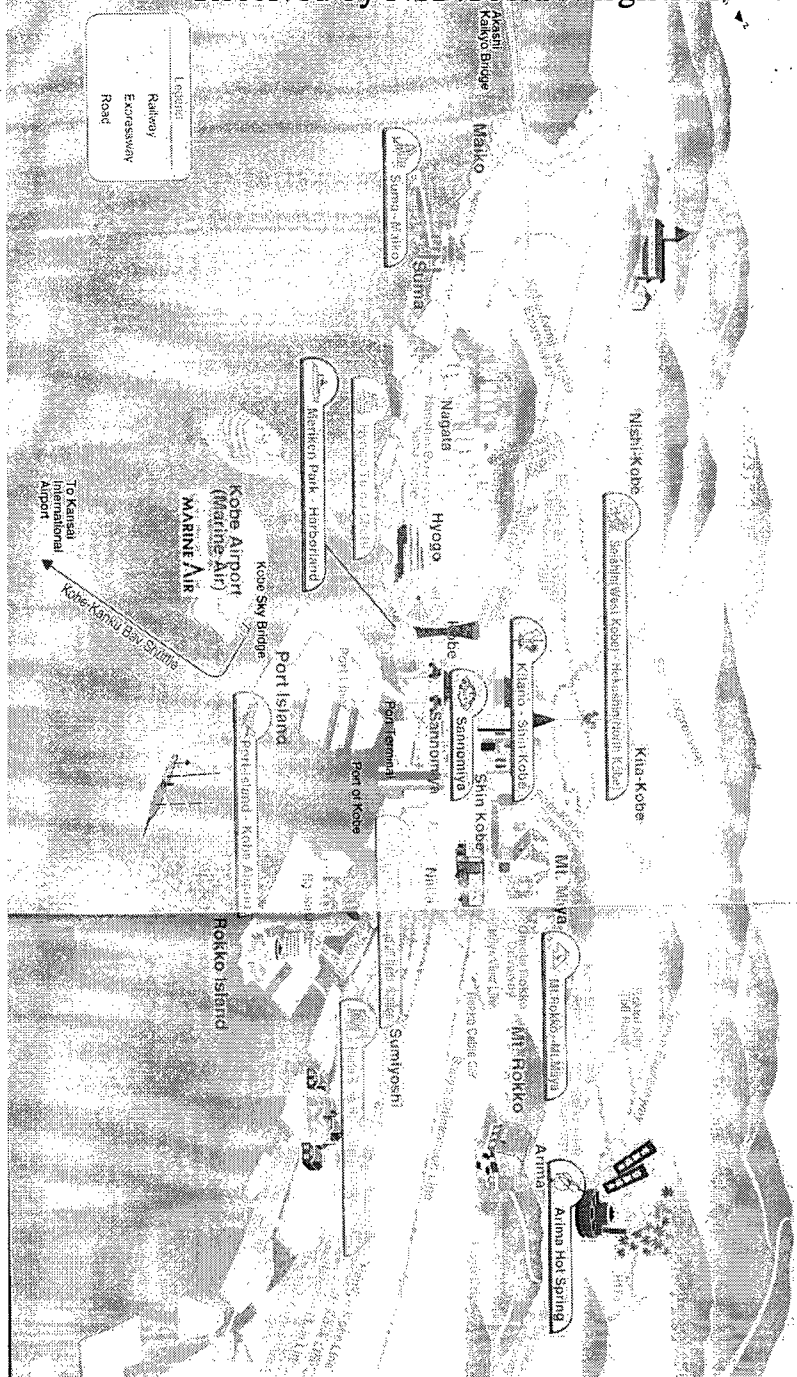
The city's efforts are now currently focused on making Kobe a beautiful city, with charms to appeal to both the Japanese and non-Japanese visitor.





# Feel Kobe

The green Rokko mountains, the international Port of Kobe, the city streets filled with a nostalgic air and Japan's oldest hot springs. To really appreciate the varied charms of Kobe, choose from a variety of courses and visit Kobe's many unique areas.



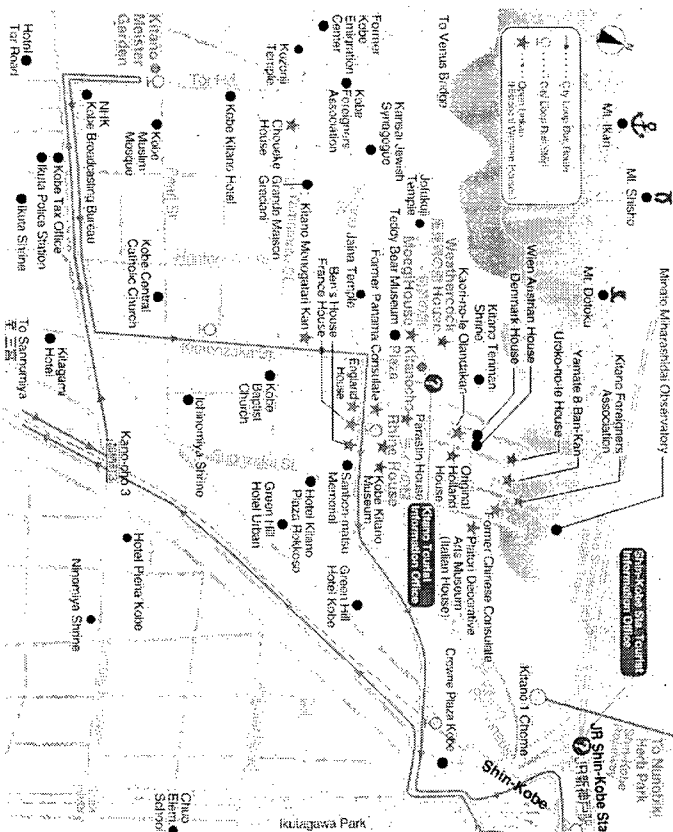
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# Kitano - Shin-Kobe



After the opening of the Port of Kobe, many Americans and Europeans settled down in the Kitano district. Even today, the area possesses a very non-Japanese atmosphere.

A 10-15-minute walk north straight up Kitanozaka St. from Sanmoniya will bring you to the Jikan area, where there are many Western-style houses. If you start from Shin Kobe Station, the best approach to the area is the Kitano Promenade.

As you enter Kitano Street, you will notice elegant Western houses standing out on both sides. The latest information about the old houses can be obtained at the Kitano Tourist Information Center facing Kitano-cho Plaza. The Weathercock House, Moegi House and Rhine House are all nearby.

An international atmosphere permeates the Kitano district with many restaurants and cafes serving food from all over the world. Here, you can take a break from wandering along Kitanozaka St. and Pearl St.

West of the Jikan area is Tor Road which links the former residential district with the port. Many foreigners often used this road and it is thought to be the place of origin of Kobe's trendy fashion sense. At the Kitano Meister Garden you can see, buy and even experience making Kobe signature items. It is the ideal spot to end your stroll around this area.

## DESTINATION GUIDE

### Kitano-cho Plaza

The Plaza is located at the top of the steep Kitanozaka St. There is a wonderful view of the city from the park and it is also an ideal spot for a snapshot with the Weathercock House in the background. The jazz-themed sculptures by Akihiko Kurokawa are also very popular.

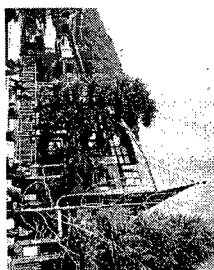
### Moegi House

Moegi means "Light Green" in Japanese. As the house's name suggests, its walls are a graceful light green. There is a gorgeous view from the balcony. It is designated as a National Important Cultural Property.

¥300 (free for high school age or under) Moegi House and Weathercock House dual ticket ¥500

<Apr. - Nov. > 9:00-18:00  
<Dec. - Mar. > 9:00-17:00  
(Open all year. Shorter opening hours during the year-end and new year holidays)

☎ (078)222-3310



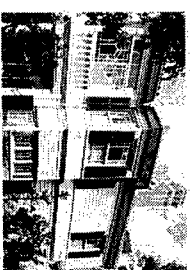
### Weathercock House

The weathercock perched on top of the steeple is the symbol of Kitano. This is a dignified house built in the traditional German style and a National Important Cultural Property.

¥300 (free for high school age or under) Weathercock House and Moegi House dual ticket ¥500

<Apr. - Nov. > 9:00-18:00  
<Dec. - Mar. > 9:00-17:00  
(Closed on the 1st Tuesday of March, June, September, December. Open on holidays. Closed the following day.)

☎ (078)242-3223



### Kobe Nunobiki Herb Park

The Park, fragrant with 200 kinds of herbs, lies at the top of a hill, 10-minutes on Shin-Kobe Ropeway from Kitano1 Chome Station. There is a glasshouse with seasonal flowers in bloom and a restaurant where you can enjoy herb dishes.

¥200 (¥100 for junior high school age or under)  
Ropeway fares (adults)  
One-way ¥550, Return ¥1,000

Weekdays 9:30-17:30  
Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays (Jul.20-Aug.31) 9:30-21:00  
During winter 9:30-17:30. Operation may be temporarily suspended during winter.

☎ (078)271-1160

(Ropeway out of service for trouble in the north of Nunobiki Herb Park also closed during the period.)



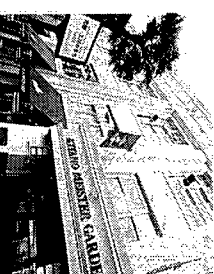
### Kitano Meister Garden

There are 21 workshops and other activities related to Kobe signature items such as bread, craftwork, shoes, and Japanese wash paper here in this old building that was once an elementary school.

Here you can see the skill of the craftsmen, taste a variety of foods and even try your hand at making some of the items.

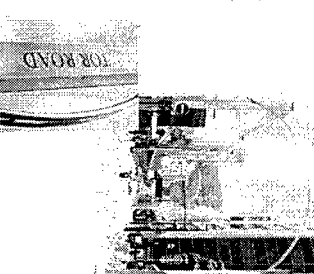
<Open everyday between October and December>  
(Closed on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, year-end and New Year)

☎ (078)200-3607 Tenants' Office

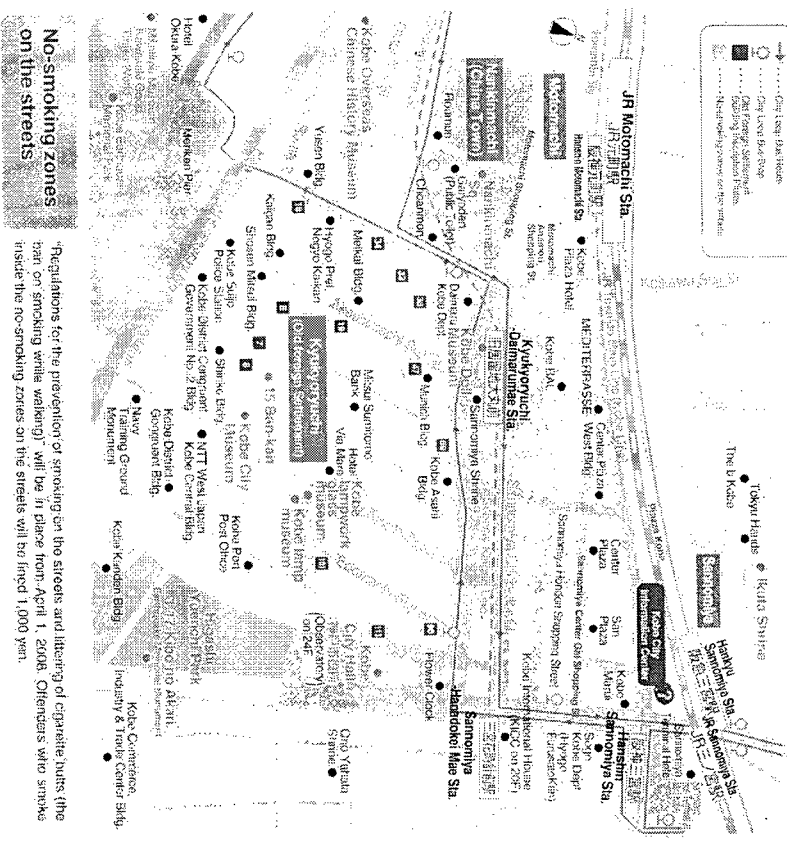


### TOR ROAD

Tor Road connects the Old Foreign Settlement with the Kitano area. In the past, stores that were popular among foreigners used to line the street. It is not unusual to find western food shops, milliners or delicatessens that have been in business for 3 or 4 generations and have longtime, regular customers.



# Sannomiya - Kyukoryuchi (Old Foreign Settlement) - Nankinmachi - Motomachi



Regulations for the prevention of smoking on the streets and littering of cigarette butts (the ban on smoking while walking) will be in place from April 1, 2008. Offenders who smoke inside the no-smoking zones on the streets will be fined 1,000 yen.

Between Sannomiya and Motomachi, in Kobe's city center, are the Sannomiya Center City Shopping Street and Motomachi Shopping Street as well as many other shopping facilities where you can get and shop to your heart's content.

West side of Flower Road stretching south from Sannomiya St. is the Kyukoryuchi (Old Foreign Settlement) which was established at the time of the opening of the Port of Kobe in 1868. Higashi-Yuenchu Park, where foreign residents used to play sports, and the stone buildings in the area are reminders of the early days of the Old Foreign Settlement. Plaques displaying addresses can be found on main buildings. You can imagine what the town looked like long ago as you stroll around the neighborhood. Nankin-Machi is Kobe's lively Chinatown where 100 colorful restaurants and shops line the streets.

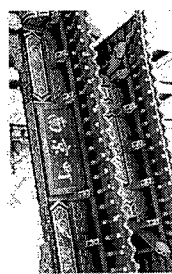


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\* Business hours may vary depending on the season

**Nankinmachi (Chinatown)**  
Nankinmachi is Kobe's Chinatown stretching about 300m east-west and 100m north-south. Here you can have fun going from one store to the next tasting everything from gourmet Chinese food in restaurants to take-away food at stalls.

10781332-2896 (Nankin-Machi Shopping Street Promotion Association)



**Higashi-Yuenchu Park**  
Rich in greenery, the park is a city-center haven for relaxing. It is also the location of Luminarie in winter. The park was where the early foreign settlers introduced the sports of rugby, soccer and tennis to Japan. There are many monuments in the park including The Birthplace of Modern Fashion Monument, The Birthplace of Bowling Monument and The "AC" Sign Monument.

**Hanshin Awaaji Earthquake Memorial Monument**  
1-17 Kibo no Akari

1-17 Kibo no Akari is a gas light erected in Higashi-Yuenchu Park on the 5th anniversary of the earthquake on January 17, 2000 at 5:46 am to pass on the memory of the earthquake and the reconstruction process to future generations. Below the monument, the names of the victims of the earthquake have been engraved on plaques.

## 15 Ban-Kan

The Colonial style, two-story wooden building was the residence of the American Consul General during the old settlement days. The original building was destroyed in the Hanshin-Awaaji Earthquake but was rebuilt

in 1998. It is now a restaurant where you can stop for a short rest. It is a Designated Important National Cultural Property.

10781334-0015  
Adults ¥300, Students ¥200  
10:00-16:00 (Closed Wednesdays)  
078-331-3855

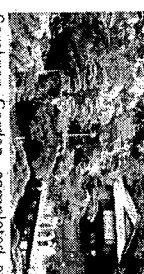
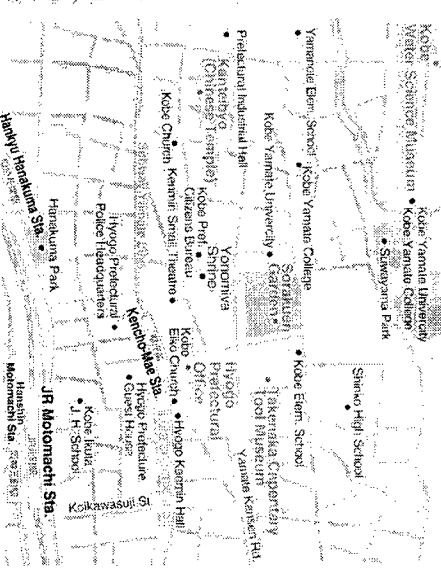
## Kobe City Museum

The museum was established with the theme of "International Cultural Exchange - The Fusion and Transfiguration of Eastern and Western Culture" and is located in the Old Foreign Settlement area in a former bank built in 1935. The impressive structure is of Dorian style with semicircular pillars in a Grecian manner.

Regular entrance fee for Adults ¥200 (High School & College Students ¥150, Junior High and Elementary School Students ¥100) (An additional fee is charged for special exhibitions).  
10:00-17:00 (Closed on Mondays (open on holidays, closed the following day) Also closed during exhibition replacement, year-end and New Year)  
10781391-0035

## Kobe Overseas Chinese History Museum

The museum introduces the history of the Chinese community in Kobe. Collected here are old photographs of Kobe, documents, art objects, and other items related to the Chinese community in Kobe.



**Sorakuen Garden**  
Sorakuen Garden, completed at the end of the Meiji era, is a fine Japanese-style, 20,000-square meter garden built around a pond. There are huge camphor trees and many azaleas in the garden. It is well known for the beauty of its azaleas in spring and chrysanthemum shows in autumn.  
Adults ¥300, Children ¥150  
9:00-17:00 (Admission before 16:30) (Closed Thursdays, open on holiday, closed the following day)  
10781351-5155

**Kanteyo (Chinese Temple)**  
Kanteyo is a temple of worship for the Chinese community in Kobe, where Kanai Guan Yu or Kanai Yui, who is the hero of Classic Three Kingdoms Saga in China, is enshrined. Set in a residential district, the vermilion painted pillars and the yellow roof tiles create a Chinese atmosphere.

The map illustrates the city of Kobe, Japan, with its coastal features and urban development. Major landmarks and districts are labeled, including Minato, Nankai, and Chuo. Key locations marked include the Kobe Port, Kobe Tower, Kobe Museum, and Kobe University. The map also shows the surrounding area, including the Seto-Bay Bridge and the Kobe-Kyoto Expressway. A legend in the bottom left corner explains the symbols used for different types of roads and landmarks.

**Legend:**

- City Loop Bus Route
- Walking Way
- Bicycle Way
- On Loop Bus Stop

Kobe Harborland is an entertainment area where you can go shopping, eating, etc. It is linked with Meriken Park by a waterfront path. From Naka-Jōr Chūō Terminal and the piers nearby you can take cruises of the port and Akashi Kaikyō Bridge. The view of Kobe from the sea is breathtaking.

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Port of Kobe  
Memorial Park

Spencer, Kober

**☎(078)371-3700**

Luminous Kobe 2

Adults ¥2,100 ~, Children ¥1,050 ~ (Meals not included)  
Departs from Naka Pier Passenger Terminal

**1(078)333-8414**

## Concert

## Royal Princess

Departments  
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<sup>4</sup>Please check in advance as cruises are subject to change or cancellation.

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Kobe Maritime Museum

Combined ticket  
\$800/Children \$

**Royal Prince**

Departs from Kainomeria (Naka Pier Central Terminal)  
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Deposited with the Registrar of Companies, Mumbai. **☎ (078) 367-2651**

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# HAIDONGCHU TENGXILEN

● 11:00~19:00 (Closed on Wednesday)  
☎ 078-351-1335

# Port Island - Kobe Airport

Over 20 years have passed since Port Island, Kobe's first man-made island, was completed and opened to the public. With its International Conference Center, International Exhibition Hall, and hotels, it is an ideal place for conventions. Other attractions on the island are the Kobe Science Museum and the UCC Coffee Museum. Also, the Kobe Healthcare Industry Development Center (HIDIC) is being promoted, and south of this is Kobe Airport which has regular flights to Sapporo, Sendai, Tokyo, Kagoshima, Okinawa, etc. From Kobe Airport, there is the Bay Shuttle regular high-speed ferry service to Kansai International Airport that takes only 24 minutes.

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### Kobe Flowers and Birds Garden

This is an all-weather theme park that is filled with colorful flowers of all kinds and where you can touch owls, parakeets and penguins that fly and walk freely in the garden.

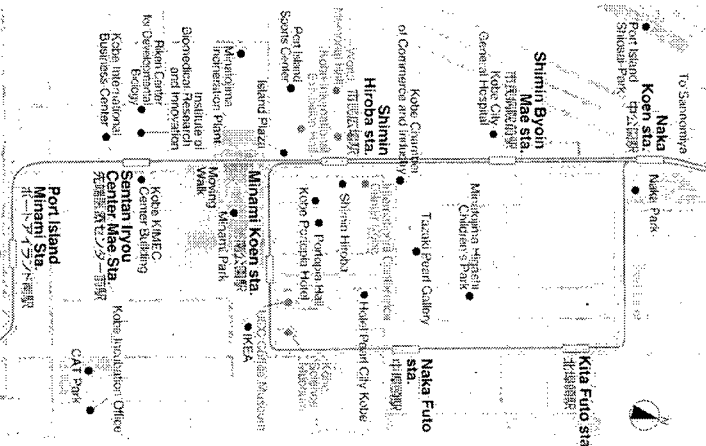
- ❑ Adults (above junior high school) ¥1,500, Children (elementary school) ¥700, over 65 years old ¥1,000, Small Children Admission free.
- ❑ Other: Special charge for disabled people / group discounts
- ❑ 9:00-17:30 (Admission until 30 minutes before closing time)
- ❑ (078) 302-8899



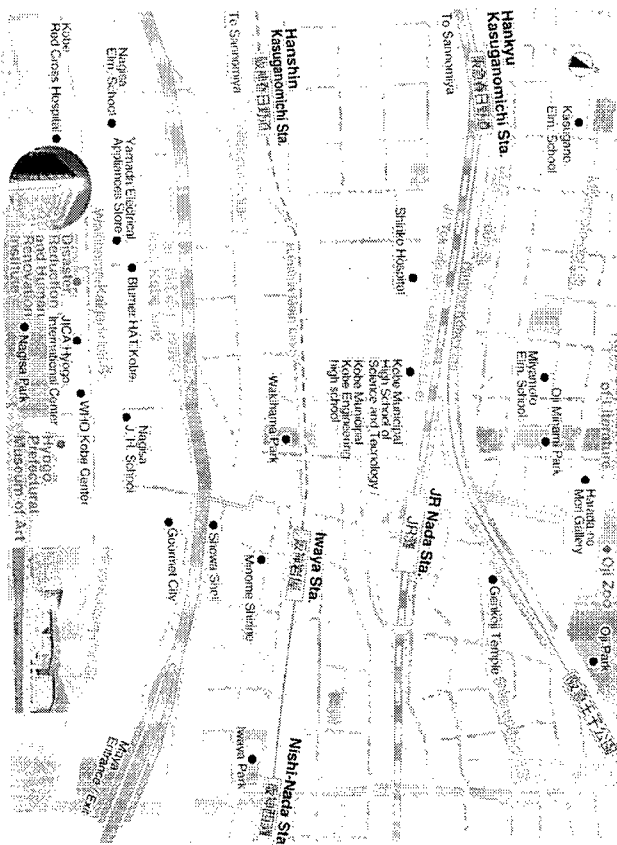
### Kobe Airport Terminal

The Kobe Airport Terminal which was opened at the same time as Kobe Airport contains cafes, restaurants and Kobe sweets stores. On the top floor, which is now a popular sightseeing spot, you can see the ocean, the runway, the city and Mt. Rokko.

- ❑ Admission to observation deck free of charge
- ❑ 6:00-23:00
- ❑ (078) 304-7777



# Ma Kobe - Around JR Nada station



## DESTINATION GUIDE

Through life-size dioramas of the city streets after the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, you can learn of the experiences and lessons from the earthquake.

- ❑ One museum
- ❑ Adults ¥800, High School & College Students ¥400, Junior High & Elementary School Students ¥250
- ❑ Both museums
- ❑ Adults ¥800, High School & College Students ¥400, Junior High and Elementary School Students ¥400
- ❑ 9:30 - 17:30 (Closed Mondays, July - September until 18:00, Fridays, Saturdays until 19:00, 1)
- ❑ (078)262-5050

Built as a symbol of cultural restoration after the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, the museum, designed by Tadao Ando, is the largest art museum in western Japan.

- ❑ Adults ¥500, High School & College Students ¥400, Junior & Elementary School students ¥250 (Regular entrance fee. An additional fee is charged for special exhibitions.)
- ❑ 10:00 - 18:00 (Closed Mondays, until 20:00 on Fridays and Saturdays during special exhibitions. Admission ends 30 minutes before closing time.)
- ❑ (078)262-0901

There is so much to see and do at the On Zoo. Come see the giant pandas Ko Ko and Tan Tan, together with 800 animals from 150 different species from around the world.

- ❑ There is also the "Dobutsu to Kodomo Kun" (Animals and Children Land) where you can pet and play with rabbits, goats, and other animals.
- ❑ Adults (over 15 years old) ¥600, Junior High School Students ¥200, Elementary School Students and Small Children free
- ❑ (078) 882-2028

- ❑ March - October 9:00 - 17:00, November - February 9:00 - 16:30 (Admission ends 30 minutes before closing time) Closed Wednesdays, open on holidays
- ❑ (078) 361-5624

In the regular exhibition corner, "Port of Kobe Literature Scene", literary works and materials related to writers from the Meiji era who have ties with Kobe are displayed according to age.

- ❑ There are also the "Kobe Literary Map" which traces the footsteps of writers and 1,000 volumes of works by writers who were active in Kobe in the "Kobe Bookshelf Corner". Exhibitions and lectures on literature and other events are also held.
- ❑ Admission free
- ❑ Weekdays 10:00-18:00, Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays 9:00-17:00
- ❑ (078) 882-2028





**Sake Museum**  
The museum resembles a sake brewery as it used to be in the past. Here you can see how sake was traditionally made.  
☑ Free \*Sake tasting possible  
🕒 10:00 - 16:00 (Closed Wednesdays)  
☎ (078)882-7768

A Western-style former residence that introduces the history of Nada sake and Koman tsuke pickles. The shop contains



**Kobo Shinjinhall** (free)  
This brewery features a sal-  
ing area where you can not  
sample sake, but also  
served with sake as well. T  
also a restaurant and s  
events hall.  
Free "Sake tasting possib  
10:00 ~ 18:00 (no holidays)  
07081841-1121

Since ancient times, the district along the Kōbe - Nishinomiya coast has been referred to as "Nada Gōgo", or the five sake-producing quarters of Nada (hence the number one in the sake production district). Other districts, Nishinomiya, Mitsuhashi and Gotoh-gō are in Kobe.

the mineral-rich "Advamizu" rice water, "Yamada Nishiki" rice, ideal for sake-making and the skill of the master brewers from the Tamba-Tango district make a perfect combination for the production of excellent sake. South of the Hanshin Railway line between Osaka and Izumi, Matsuyama can find a number of sake-making villages. The most famous seems where you can taste the sake. Sake lovers enjoy visiting each brewery, to taste their products. Well, the famous water from which the Minatogawa River which is a perfect place to relax and located beside the river. If you visit the Minatogawa and Hatakeyama Museum.

**Burned cedar planks are the special feature of this brewery, which was built 250 years ago and is still in good condition. Reservations for groups of 10 or more should be made in advance.**  
**Free (reservation required):**  
**9:00 – 17:00 (Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays)**  
**Tel (07)81851-2722**

This dignified 200-year old drama structure provided the backdrop for the NHK serial drama "Amakura-shan"

Free \*taste testing possible

10:00 ~ 17:30 (Closed Tuesdays)

☎ (07)851-0260

**THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO**

Life-sized figures are used in the exhibition to show how sake was made long ago.

Office: 904-231-1111  
Fax: 904-231-1112  
E-mail: [info@nass.com](mailto:info@nass.com)  
Website: [www.nass.com](http://www.nass.com)  
Closed Mondays  
(078)822-8907






The sake making tools on exhibit here are Designated Important National Folk Treasures. In the grounds, there is a replica of a shed and a water

wheel used for polishing rice

Free cake tasting possible  
9:30 ~ 16:30 (Closed during summer holidays, year end and New Year)  
☎ (078)854-1029

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Besides an exhibition, there is also a cafe and restaurant that serves Japanese food.

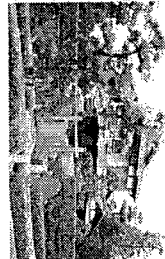
 **Free**  
 **12:00 ~ 22:00 (Closed Tuesdays)**  
 **(078)436-3030**

Here you can see the complete process of sake making through a glass observation hall.

- ☑ Free \*Sake tasting possible
- 🕒 10:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed Mondays and the day following national holidays)

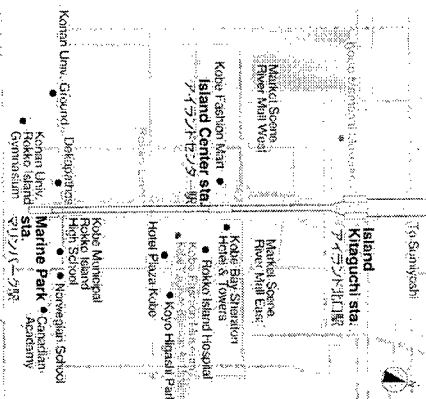
☎ (078)411-0492

Nada sake is often called "Orinoko-zake" (male sake) because of its strong characteristics, raw sensation on the tongue, and its coarse taste. In autumn, after the sake has aged in barrels over summer, the aroma and flavor become stronger improving the sake's quality even more. The 5 flavors (sweet, pungent, acid, bitter, astringent) all blend to create a clear mellow sake. This is the distinctive characteristic of this sake, also called "Nada no Ki Ippon."

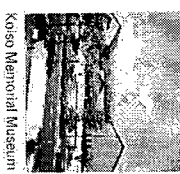


Quietly standing on the banks of the Sumposhi River is a Japanese-style house and one-time residence of the great writer Tanizaki Junichiro, his wife Matsuko and her sisters. They lived here for 7 years. It was Tanizaki's life here that provided the inspiration for his famous novel "The Makino Sisters".

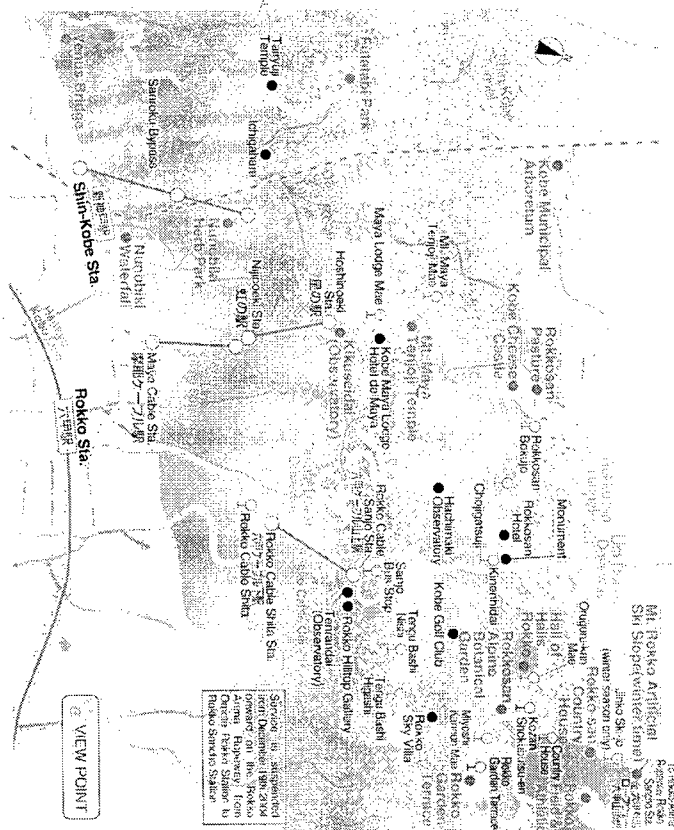
**Time**  
10:00-16:00 (Open only on Saturdays and Sundays)  
Tel:0718842-0730



Rokko Island boasts many colonial high-rise apartment buildings, foreign-affiliated companies, and international schools, giving the island an open and international atmosphere. Here, you can shop in a mall filled with imported goods, eat out and see a movie, and visit the Kobe Fashion Museum and the Kobe Memorial Museum.

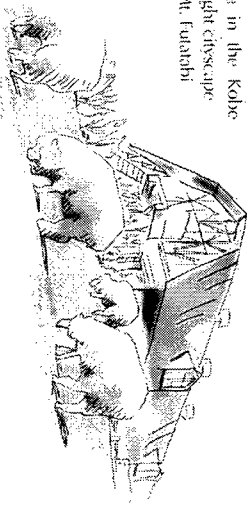


Mt. Rokko ~ Mt. Maya



A major outdoor resort area, the Rokko mountain range is a stretch of green mountains running 30km east-west. From the top of Mt.Rokko, and Mt.Ayaya, you can see Kobe's famous "10 million Dollar Night View." The top of Mt.Rokko can be reached by the Rokko Cable Car. At the top of the mountain there are a variety of leisure facilities such as; Rokkosan Posture - Kobe Cheese House, Rokko Garden Terrace, Rokko-sanso Country House, etc.

At the top of Mt. Myōgi is the fashionable Hotel de Myōgi which looks down over the city. Nearby is Myōgi Tenjiōji Temple from where Mt. Myōgi took its name. You can reach the top of Mt. Myōgi by the Myōgi View Line Yama Sumpo (the Myōgi Cable Car and Ropeway), which provides a brilliant view of the mountains. On the mountain, there is a Mt. Rokko loop line bus and a bus that connects Mt. Rokko and Mt. Myōgi. Around Mt. Futatabi, there is a beautiful drive through a green tunnel of trees. You can appreciate nature in the Kobe Municipal Aoboretsumi View Kofu's glittering night cityscape from Venus Bridge, along Futatabi Diverway. Mt. Futatabi is also a spiritual mountain connected with the famous Buddhist monk Kobo-Daishi. You can follow his footsteps to Tanyoji Temple in the heart of the mountain.



**Business plans may vary depending on the reason**

Rokusan Pasture - Kobbe  
Cheese House

Like scene taken from a story—  
book, Rokkosen Pasture is an  
relaxing rural spot where you  
can interact with cows and  
sheep. In "Makiba Yume Kobo"  
in the park you can try your  
hand at making cheese and  
sausages. In the Kobe Cheese  
House you can see how cheese  
is made and try some original  
cheese dishes in the restaurant.  
¥3,500 (Children ¥200)  
9:30-17:00 (19:00-18:00 Satur-  
days, Sundays, and national hol-  
days during Mar. and Nov., and  
the whole month of Aug.)  
Closed Tuesdays (if it is a nation-  
al holiday, closed the followin-  
g day. Open everyday from Mar.  
till Nov.)  
☎ 07181891-0280



Rocko Garden Terrace

The view from the observation tower 888m high in the mountains is superb. You can have lunch or dinner in the cafe, and buy various items, confectioneries as well as organic foodstuffs from around the world.



Kobe Municipal Arboretum

Here you can see trees from around the world as they appear in their natural environment. Come watch the colors of the park change along with the seasons. The park holds guided walks around the "hydraangea"

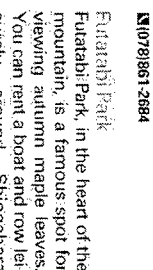
garden in early summer and regular bird watching parties. There is a free shuttle bus service from Kobe Dentetsu Kita-Suzurandai Station.

**E73300 (Junior High School Children and Younger ¥150)**  
9:30-17:00 (Closed Wednesdays)  
Open on national holidays and closed the following day

**TEL 078591-0253**

At Maya Tzuc Temple  
Tzuc Temple is an old S

temple is an old shingon Sect temple at the top of Mt. Maya. It is said that the temple was founded in 646 by the hermit Hodo who came from India on a cloud of brushwood. From the Edo period the temple has been popular among people as a place to pray for a safe birth.

Ford, the partner  
No. 25 City

by No. 23 city bus, (hours only on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays from April to November)

# Best of Bess Poko

A collection of about 80 unique antique music boxes from around the world are on display here. You can see one of the world's largest dancing music boxes, and other self-operating musical instruments. There is performance every two hours.

● 10:00-17:00 (Admission until 16:00)  
Closed Thursdays (Open from May  
14 till Aug. 31, as well as national  
holidays)  
☎ 0781891-1284

Alfred-Barnes Garden

Here, about 1,500 different kinds of wild plants from alpine and cold regions of the world are grown in a natural environ-

ment. Also featured here are a

Viewing plaza and Prince  
 Bridge, inaugurated by the cur-  
 rent Emperor, when he was  
 Crown Prince.  
**🎫 Adult ¥600 Child ¥300**  
 📍 Mar. 1 ~ Nov. 30 10:00 ~ 17:00 JAD  
 🕒 mission until 16:30  
 Closed Thursdays (Open Mar. 21  
 ~Aug. 31, national holidays)  
 ☎ 078-891-1247

## Rock-Gole-Gri

Mt. Rokko can be accessed via the Rokko Cable Car. You can reach the cable car's Cable Shiota Station by No.16 bus from Hankyu Rokko Station.  
 One-way ¥510 (Children ¥290)  
 Return fare ¥1,000 (Children ¥500)  
 7:10 ~ 21:10 (No holidays)  
 ☎ (079)861-5288

King of the Sea

This is the name given to the Maya Cable Car and Maya Roadway. There is a beautiful view of the city and hills from the Summit. You can reach Maya Cable Car Station by No. 18 bus from Sanromya.

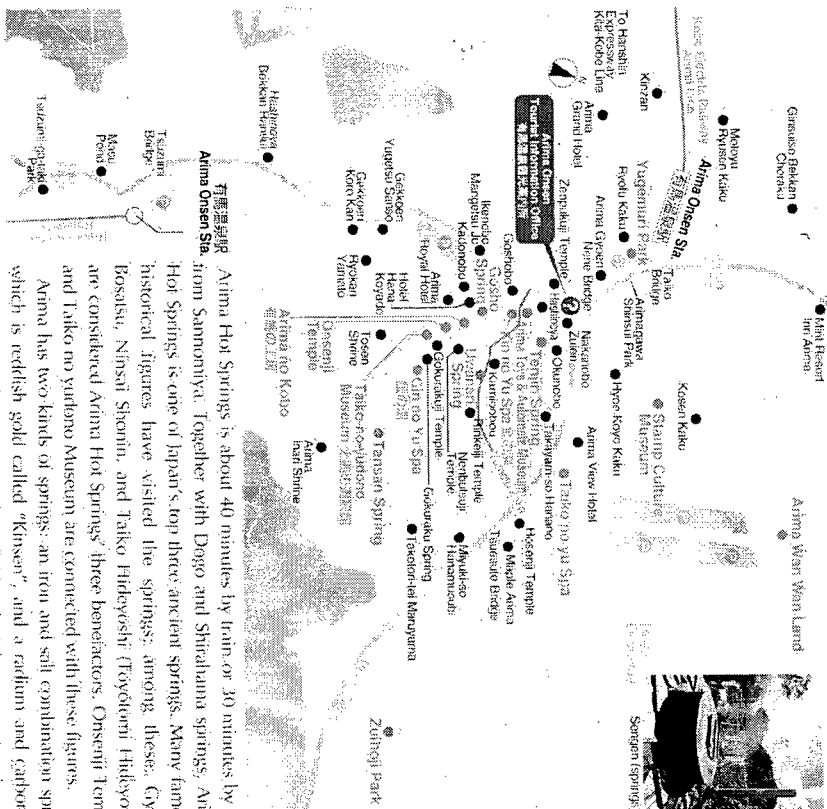
☑ One-way fare \$860 (Children \$430)  
 ☑ Return fare \$1,500 (Children \$750)  
 ☑ 10:00-17:30

(Weekdays from Mar. 20 till Jun. 19, from Sept. 1 till Nov. 30 and from Dec. 1 till Mar. 19)  
10:00-20:50  
(Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays from March 20 till Jul. 19 and from Sep. 1 till Nov. 30)  
10:00-20:50

**10:00-19:50**  
[All days from Jul. 20 till Aug. 31]  
**(Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays from Dec. 1 till Mar. 19)**  
Closed Tuesdays. (If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)  
No operation for about 2 weeks due to a legal annual inspection



# Arima Hot Springs

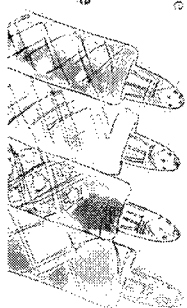


有馬温泉駅  
Arima Onsen Sta.

Arima Hot Springs is about 40 minutes by train or 30 minutes by car from Samoniyu. Together with Dogo and Shirahama springs, Arima Hot Springs is one of Japan's top three ancient springs. Many famous historical figures have visited the springs; among these, Gyoki Bosatsu, Ninsai Shonin, and Taiko Hideyoshi (Toyotomi Hideyoshi) are considered Arima Hot Springs' three benefactors. Onsenji Temple and Taiko no Yudono Museum are connected with these figures. Arima has two kinds of springs: an iron and salt combination spring which is reddish gold called "Kinsen", and a radium and carbonate combination spring which is colorless and is referred to as "Ginsen". Here in Arima you can enjoy two different types of spas. You can also visit temples or stroll aimlessly along Yumoto Zaka with its atmosphere of a hot springs town. There are also shops selling traditional souvenirs. You can see the spring sources, soak in baths using "Kinsen" at Kin no Yu Spa and "Ginsen" at Gin no Yu Spa, and try your hand at crafts and other activities at Arima no Kobo.

Enjoy the beauty of the seasons while walking around Arima. The autumn colors of Zuihōji Park and Tszuzumigaki Waterfall are beautiful and each visit presents a new and beautiful scene to behold.

For information = Arima Onsen Tourist Information Office  
Tel: (078)904-0708



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\* Business hours may vary depending on the season.

**Taiko no Yudono Museum**  
After the 1995 earthquake, an ancient bathtub used by general Toyotomi Hideyoshi, the remains of a garden, and other artifacts were unearthed, and are on display here. This museum also introduces the history and culture of Arima.

☑ ¥200 (Elementary, Junior High, Senior High School Students ¥100)  
☑ 9:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed on 2nd Wednesday)  
☎ (078)904-4304



**Kin no Yu Spa**  
Kin no Yu Spa was constructed over the source of Arima Onsen. Here you can soak in "Kinsen" water. ☑ ¥650 (Children ¥340 infants ¥140) ☑ 8:00 ~ 22:00 (Admission to the bathhouse until 21:30. Closed 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month)  
☎ (078)904-0680



**Gin no Yu Spa**  
In the Gin no Yu Spa, you can bathe in "Ginsen" water. ☑ ¥550 (Children ¥290 infants ¥120) ☑ 9:00 ~ 21:00 (Admission to the bathhouse until 20:30. Closed 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month)  
☎ (078)904-0256



**Onsenji Temple**  
Built in the Nara period by a Buddhist priest, this temple introduces its history and that of Arima hot springs. Admission is 100 Yen for adults and 50 Yen for children.



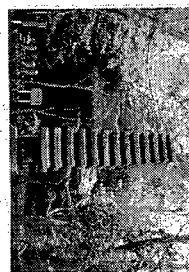
**Sengen (Springs)**  
The white steam rising from the Tenjin Spring makes a perfect background for a photo. The Goshu and Uwanari Springs are also recommended. Come experience the sensation of cold carbonate water gushing from the Tansen Spring.

## Arima Souvenirs

**Tansan Senbei Crackers:** Crackers with a sweet taste and light texture. This brush has a long tradition and is a popular item because of its bright colors and cute dolls that pop out of the handle.

**Traditional Bamboo Craftwork, Arima Kago (Basket):** High quality tea ceremony and other items made in the traditional style from fine quality bamboo from the Rokko mountain range.

**Matsumake Konbu:** The rich local taste of matsutake mushrooms and kelp boiled in soy sauce, mirin and sugar.  
**Sen-nari Tsuke (Pickles):** Gourds and mini-eggplants pickled in Nada sake residue.



**Arima no Kobo**  
Here, Arima's traditional crafts and culture are introduced in the Onsen Gallery. ☑ Free (fee charged for use of meeting rooms and lounge)  
☑ 9:00 ~ 18:00  
☎ (078)903-5554  
Koyado Toji (fee charged)  
☎ (078)904-0708

**Rokko Arima Ropeway**  
Arima Hot Springs can be accessed from Mt. Rokko via the Rokko Arima Ropeway. It has a spectacular view of the mountains.  
☑ Rokko-Sancho Sta. ~ Arima Onsen Sta. One-way ¥980 (Children ¥490) Return: fare ¥1,770 (Children ¥890)  
☑ 9:13 ~ 18:13  
(Mar. 21-Jul. 19 / Sep. 1-Dec. 9)  
9:13 ~ 20:55 (Jul. 20-Aug. 31)  
9:13 ~ 17:13 (Dec. 10-Mar. 20)  
☎ (078)891-0031



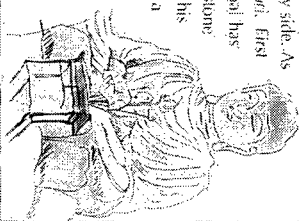
**Zuihōji Park**  
Shogun Toyotomi Hideyoshi once said of this park "You never get tired of admiring this garden." In autumn, the park's 600 maple trees burst into full color.



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Near the statue you will find the two shrines, *Mitsushiri Shrine* and *Wagata Shrine*, side by side. As you walk a little further you will notice images and reminders of the warlord, *Taira Kiyomori*. First you will come across *Yakuzomi Temple* which is related with *Kiyomori*. The *Hyogo Canal* has *Kiyomori* Bridge built over it. If you cross the bridge, you will come to *Kiyomori-zaka stone monument* which is thought to be the location of his grave. Others, however, believe his grave is in *Norikuni*, slightly north of this site. You can head for the temple while taking a leisurely stroll along *Shingaya Canal*.

If you cross Route 2 you will come to Yamagata Ebisu Shrine which is famous for its Ioba Ebisu festival.



See also: [Introduction](#)

This temple contains the Goro-in Sekito monument, and is a temple dedicated to Ippen, the founder of the Jishu Sect of Buddhism.

**1-800-671-1958**

This shrine's name means "Three Stones" and there are many stories regarding its origin. One is that the Empress Jingu (2nd Century) used three stones to foretell the future. Another is that she prayed to three stones for a safe delivery. Yet another is that there were three stones set in place for a portable shrine to proceed across Wadamisaki.

The shrine's large gate is an impressive sight. The shrine, which is called "Madamayasán" by the locals, is a place of prayer for protection and safety in transit. In the shrine grounds there is a monument dedicated to Koda Hyōemon who made great contributions to the construction of the Hyō-

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This temple of the jishu Sect of Buddhism is said to have been founded by the 8th century priest, Gyoki. There is a legend which says that water from a spring in the temple grounds was used to cure the Emperor Godaigo's headache and this is how the temple got its name. In the temple grounds are the Kaya no Goshu Ato Ruins, where Taira Kiyomori imprisoned the Emperor Goshirakawa.

☎ (078) 671-1696

These two canals located in Wadamisaki are the largest

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canals in Japan. Many ships in Wadamatsuki took refuge in the Shinkawa Canal in bad weather, and as a result many became buried under the silt, eventually blocking the canal. It was here that much of the ancient port of Owada was lost. Tomari was discovered. Later in 1898, Hyogo Canal was constructed as a passage to Hyogo Tsu. This canal made huge contributions to the development of the local economy.


# Case Control

The promenade is a 300m long path along the banks of the Shinkawa Canal. A wooden path and benches make this an ideal spot for enjoying the waterside atmosphere. There are panels which explain the history of the canals too.

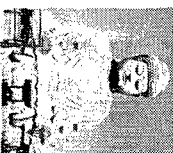
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Kiyomori Zuka is a 13-foot stone monument which, according to the chronicles "Azuma Kagami", is where Kiyomori's grave lies. However, research carried out in 1924, revealed that this is not the location of Kiyomori's grave. Beside Kiyomori Zukae you will find a statue of Kiyomori and Biwa Zuka and a stone tablet inscribed with a poem all of which make the area closely related to the past.

leading up to the shrine and the area is crisscrossed with people coming to pray. In the past, the shrine was on the old Saigoku Highway. On the side of the road on the northeast of the shrine grounds, is the remains of Hyogo Nishi Sotomon, a gate on this historical highway.



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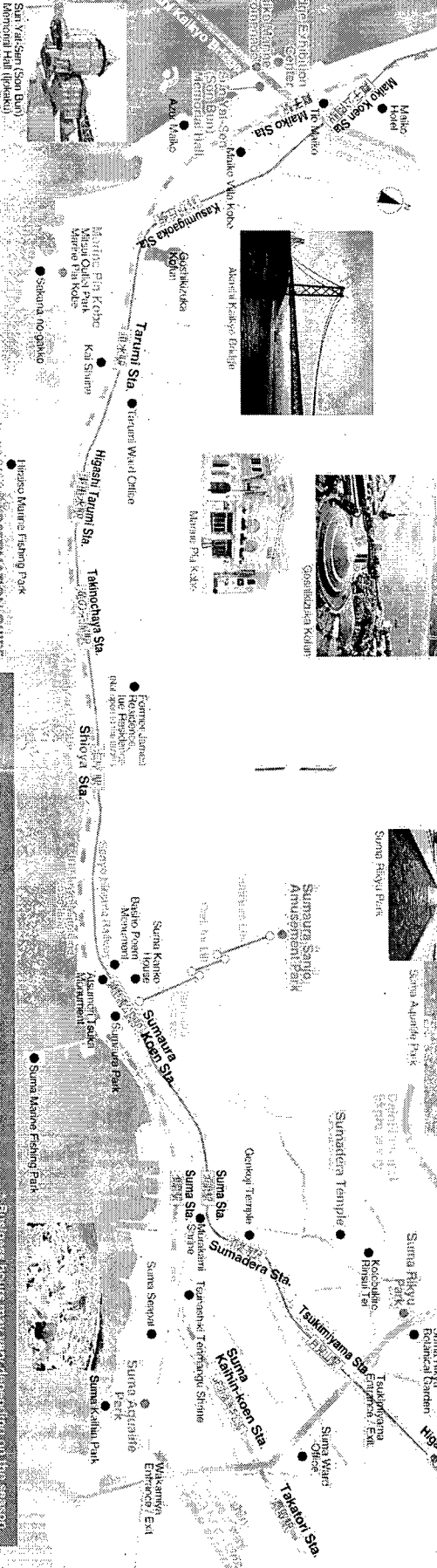
**THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO**

This stadium has a natural grass ground and was where half the 2002 FIFA World Cup. Since the April 2003, the stadium has become the home of Visse Kobe, Kobe's soccer team. It also boasts a panoramic restaurant, a heated swimming pool and a gym.

☑ (078) 652-5650

5-minute walk from the Misaki  
☐ Koen subway station

# Suma ~ Maiko



Not only is it the best beach resort in the Hanshin area, the Suma-Maiko area is also covered with historical sites.

In the neighborhood of JR Suma station, there are many temples and shrines, including Genshoji Temple, the supposed residence of Prince Genji from "The Tale of Genji," Murakami Teisha Shrine, which was the stage for the Noh song "Kengo," and Suma Tenjin Shrine, or Tenshinji Temple, which is dedicated to Sugawara no Michizane, a 9th century scholar. Among these, a particularly nice temple to visit is Sumakaden. If you go a little further north you will find Suma Rikyu Park, with its huge rose garden. If you stroll down Rikyuichi, you will find Suma Beach, one of the finest in the Hanshin area, and Suma Aquatic Park where you can see the popular dolphin show, sea otters and approximately 20,000 water creatures of about 500 kinds. The park is popular among children and adults alike.

The Akashi Kaikyo Bridge (Pearl Bridge) connects Kobe-Maiko with Awaji Island and is the world's longest suspension bridge (3,911m). At night it is beautifully illuminated, its colors changing with the time and season. At the foot of the Akashi Kaikyo Bridge you can visit the Bridge Exhibition Center, Maiko Marine Promenade and the Sun Yat-Sen (Sun Bun) Memorial Hall. Marine Park Kobe and Azur Maiko in Tannun are popular with couples and families.

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### Sunadaoka Temple

The temple is historically connected with the famous 12th Century Genpei clashes, with statues of the warriors, Taira Atsumori and Kunikida Nazonze, the Genpei Garden, Asu-mori Kishi no Tsuka (monument in memory of the beheading of Atsumori), and other artifacts uniquely displayed in the temple grounds. Viewing is free.

9:00 ~ 16:00

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5-minute walk from Sanyo Ry. Sumadera Station

### Suma Rikyu Park

This is a huge park that was once the Mito Detached Palace. The blue sea and fountain garden is a marvelous sight. There is a restaurant, tropical flower house, and botanical gardens.

Y400 (Elementary & Junior High School Students ¥200)

9:00-17:00 (until 20:00 on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays Apr. 29 ~ Aug. 31) (Closed Thursdays, if a national holiday, closed the following day)

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### Suma Sanyo Amusement Park

A park that brings you back to your childhood days. It has nostalgic ropeway and lift takes you slowly to the top of Mt. Hachibise where you can see a spectacular panoramic view of the Seto Inland sea.

Free (Ropeway - Adults one-way ¥350 (Children ¥180) Return fare ¥700 (Children ¥350) 1

10:00-18:00 (Apr. ~ Oct.)

10:00-17:00 (Nov. ~ Feb.)

10:00-17:30 (Mar.) (Closed Tuesdays, Open national holidays, the New Year, spring holidays, Golden Week, O-bon)

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### Suma Aquatic Park

See sharks and rays swim in the big wave tank, sea otters playfully swimming and a dolphin show.

¥1,300 (15-17 years old ¥800, 6-14 years old ¥500)

9:00 ~ 17:00

9:00 ~ 20:00 during Golden Week

and Summer holiday closed on Wednesdays in Dec-Mar (open on national holidays and spring holidays, and other special occasions). Closed during 12/29-1/1

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### Marine Pia Kobe

Established to encourage the contact that humans have with fish and the sea. You can try your hand at making "chimen" (small fish) in the "Sakana no Gakko" (fish school). You can also shop in Kobe's first outlet mall. There are also a range of restaurants in "Mitsui Outlet Park Marine Pia Kobe"

Vary depending on facility

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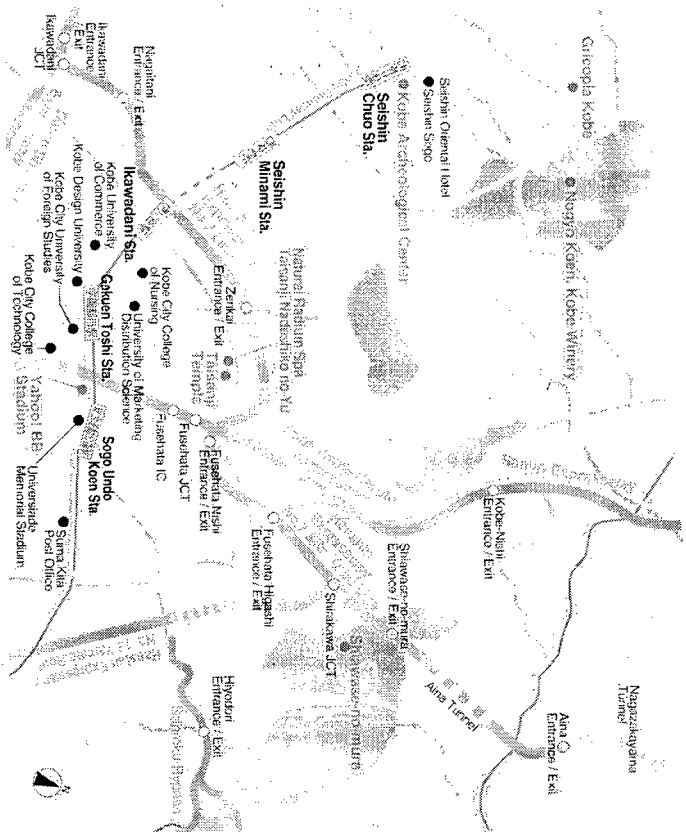
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## Seishin - Hokushin

To Park & Flower Park  
Kobe Beer Brewery  
Ainu Hot Springs

Come relax in pastoral Northern and Western Kobe, where there are a plethora of entertainment areas surrounded in a rich natural environment. In these areas, you can play sports, eat gourmet food, experience Kobe's local culture, and enjoy a wealth of other activities.

You can reach Kobe Sports Park, the location of Yaho! BB Stadium, a huge gymnasium and other sports facilities, by the Yamate Subway Line from Sannomiya. You

can also visit the Kobe Archaeological Center well known for its unique exhibitions, near Seishin Chuo Station.

To enjoy the bounty of nature, go a little further from the city to the Fruit & Flower Park or Koba Beer Brewery.

Head to Shawase no Mura for a healthy and active day of sports. The Kira Brewery Kobe and Glicopia Kobe introduce the products, and history of each respective company, and will provide you with a day of fun.

You can also see another side of Kobe by visiting Tatsunji Temple, with its beautiful natural settings.

## DESTINATION GUIDE

Business hours may vary depending on the season.

## Sky Mark Stadium

This major league baseball stadium is covered with lush natural grass. The Orix Buffaloes is proud to have it as its home stadium.

Baseball Games ¥1,300 - (Children ¥500 -)

and observe the wine-making process, as well as taste Kobe Wine free of charge. There is also a barbecue corner where you can enjoy a barbecue.

Admission and car park free of charge

Tatsunji Temple  
This is a temple of the Tendai sect of Buddhism which was founded in the Nara era. The main temple building, Tendai Garan, is a Designated National Treasure, and the Niomon Gate and three-storied pagoda are Designated Important Cultural Treasures. Visiting the temple during the cherry blossom and autumn maple season is recommended.

Free (Hot Springs ¥800)  
Children under junior high school age ¥400. Combination ticket for swimming pool available!  
(Hot springs business hours)  
(0781743-8000)

Shawase no Mura  
This is a recreation and wellness center located in a green and hilly area of Kobe. There are a variety of sports and health facilities: a campsite, accommodation facilities, tennis courts, and a horse park. The hot springs are also very popular.

Free (Hot Springs ¥800)  
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Koba Beer Brewery  
A guide service is provided from an explanation of the beer brewing process to beer tasting. A free shuttle bus runs between the JR and Kobe Den-etsu Sanda Stations, and the brewery.

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# Shopping

Kobe is a shopping paradise whether by way of Kobe's many department stores or its many small shops. From the historic Sannomiya Station to the modern Kobe Harborland Station, there are many shopping areas in Kobe. This guidebook will help you find the best shopping areas in Kobe.

## Sannomiya - Shin-Kobe Station Area

Around Sannomiya Station there are many department stores and fashion stores such as Sogo, Sannomiya OPA, Kobe Marui, MINT Kobe. Adjacent to the Shinkansen Shin-Kobe Station is the mall, Shin-Kobe Avenue.

## Sannomiya Center-gai Shopping Street

Kobe's largest all-weather shopping arcade stretches 550m between Sannomiya and Motomachi. Besides the multi-store and tenant complexes Sun Plaza and Center Plaza there are also many restaurants, boutiques and general item stores. To the south, you can also shop at Sannomiya Hondori Shopping Street or Sanica, an underground shopping area near Sannomiya Station.



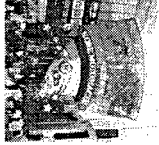
## Old Foreign Settlement

With Daijingu Department Store as a landmark, you will find many international brands boutiques in the area nearby. There is a comfortable blend of the retro and the modern in this unique shopping district.

5-minute walk south from JR / Hanshin Motomachi, Near Subway Kyu Kyoyuchi - Daijingu

## Motomachi Shopping Street

Many shops here have been run by the same family for generations, and they helped establish Western culture in the area after the opening of the Port of Kobe. Lining the shopping street are Western restaurants, Western and Japanese confectionery shops, tailors, and accessory shops. The glass art entrance is a landmark of Motomachi.



078-391-0831 (Motomachi Shopping Street Association)

## Harborland P1, P2

Near JR Kobe Station, Subway Harborland Station

## Tor Road P7, P8

Near JR / Hanshin Motomachi

## Tor West

Tor West is situated west of Tor Road. This trendy fashion area is popular among Kobe's young people. Along a labyrinth of narrow streets you will find stores displaying the personal tastes of their owners, especially stores dealing in vintage clothes and accessories, and imported goods.

3-minute walk northeast from JR Motomachi

## Kokeshita Shopping Street

Piazza Kobe which stretches from Sannomiya to Motomachi is a 400m-long shopping arcade under the railway lines. The arcade is famous for its unique and numerous shoe stores and its casual goods stores. Between Motomachi and Kobe Stations, is an arcade popularly known as Motoko Town. You can find almost any kind of shop here from trendy boutiques to stores dealing in used electrical goods and second-hand books.

All railway lines: Sannomiya ~ Motomachi ~ Kobe

## Marine Pia Kobe

Kobe's first major outlet complex, Mitsui Outlet Park is set in Marine Pia Kobe which lies next to the Akashi Kaikyo Bridge. The factory outlet East and West is very popular, and here you can find stores selling famous brand name, fashion, sportswear and outdoor goods. There is also a restaurant mall.



10-minute walk from JR / Sanyo Tarumi

078-709-4466

## Kobe Shinsen Ichiba Market

The market and shopping streets around Minatogawa Park have come together to create a huge marketplace where you can buy fresh, tasty and cheap food. In the 500 shops you can buy fresh foodstuffs, and almost anything you need for daily living, clothing, and household goods. The market area grew during post-World War II reconstruction and while keeping its old-style look, it has kept the local everyday culture alive.

Kobe Kosoku / Kobe Electric Railway Shin-kaichi, Subway Minatogawa Koen

## Kobe-Sanda Premium Outlets

Leisurely and luxurious shopping of first-class world brands will be possible in this unique atmosphere created in the image of a high class residential area of a suburb in LA. It is an inescapable new famous spot for driving, dating or dropping-in while traveling.

20 min. by bus from Kobe Electric Railway Sanda Station

# Kobe's Special Products

## Kobe Beef

Soft and pleasant to the tongue with an equally pleasing taste and aroma creates the characteristic flavor of Kobe beef. Its taste has captivated gourmets all over the world.



## Nada Sake (Sake)

Kobe is blessed with rice, water and the cold wind that rolls down from Mt. Rokko. These factors unique to the location have made it possible for the Nada sake breweries to produce 30% of the nation's sake. There are large, medium and small breweries, each producing its own particular flavor.



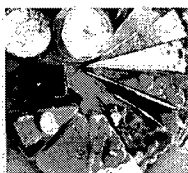
## Kobe Wine

Grapes harvested in the Nishi and Kita Wards are brought to the Municipal Kobe Winery where Kobe Wine is produced. There are three kinds: Rose, White (sweet and dry) and Red, with a new product put on the market every year. This wine has a fruity flavor making it suitable for Western and Japanese dishes, and beef, in particular.



## Confectioneries

Since the early 1900s, confectionary and cake makers from all over the world and their Japanese colleagues have continued to develop original Kobe sweets through their creative efforts and skill.



## Bread

It is said that Kobe people consume more bread than people in any other city in Japan. This is an indication of how particular Kobe people are about bread and how bread shops must satisfy these needs by baking the best bread with the finest ingredients and best baking techniques. From heavy German brown bread to a smart-looking baguette or a well-kneaded loaf, even the most casual item is made with the finest skill of Kobe's bakers. You can be sure to find bread to suit your taste.



## Pearls

Kobe began handling pearls after the opening of the port to foreign trade in the middle of the Meiji era. The sun that peaks over Mt. Rokko towards the north is an ideal source for the delicate work of pearl processing. Kobe handles 80% of Japan's pearl processing and distribution and is the world's largest pearl distribution center.



## Arima Doll Brushes

A miniature doll appears out of the top of the brush's handle, but is hidden when the brush is laid down. The traditional craftsmanship, bright colors and unique designs make these brushes very popular.



## Arima Baskets

Made according to the preferences of tea ceremony master, Sen-no-Rikyū, the bamboo craftwork is made with grace and refinement. Along with the doll brush, it is one of Arima's traditional crafts.



## Sightseeing Index 1

## Kobe Science Museum

This museum boasts one of Japan's largest planetarium domes with a diameter of 20m and a linear motor car on permanent display. Here you can have fun learning about science interactively.

● Adults ¥600, Children ¥300 (Exhibit rooms)  
● Monday ~ Thursday 9:30 ~ 16:30 Friday ~ Monday, national holidays, spring and summer vacations 9:30 ~ 18:00

Admission until 30 minutes before closing time. (Closed Wednesdays, No holidays during spring and summer vacations)  
■ (078)302-5177 **MAP P.13**



## UCC Coffee Museum

At the UCC Coffee Museum, you have a chance to learn about the secrets of coffee through exhibitions on "Origin", "Cultivation", "Distribution", "Culture" and "Production" and "Information".

■ ¥210 (Elementary, Junior High School Students ¥100)

● 10:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed Mondays, If it is a national holiday, closed the following day)  
■ (078)302-8880 **MAP P.13**



## Takenaka Carpentry Tool Museum

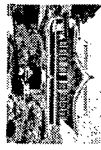
On display are traditional Japanese carpentry tools used for generations in the construction of Japan's unique and beautiful wooden buildings, which have a 2000-year old history. 2,500 items spanning from the Stone Age to the present day are exhibited.

■ Adults ¥300 University & High School Students ¥200, Elementary & Junior High School Students ¥100  
● 9:30 ~ 16:30 (Closed Mondays, If it is a national holiday, closed the following day) ■ (078)242-0216 **MAP P.10**



## Hakutsuru Art Museum

A world-class collection of Classical Chinese and Japanese art and Japan's first Oriental Carpet permanent exhibition are exhibited here.



■ Adults ¥800, University & High School Students ¥500, Junior High and Elementary School Students ¥250  
● 10:00 ~ 16:30 (Open only mid-March ~ end-June and early-September ~ end-November) (Closed Mondays, If it is a national holiday, closed the following day) ■ (078)1-851-6001 **MAP P.15**

## Kobe Water Science Museum

With the themes of "Water and Living" and "The Wonders of Water", you can learn interactively about the importance that water has in our lives. The building is a marvelous structure in the German Renaissance style, and uses the stone roof of an early 20th century water purification plant.

■ Adults ¥200

Children (Under 18 years) ¥100  
● 9:30 ~ 16:30 (Closed Mondays, If it is a national holiday, closed the following day)  
■ (078)351-4488 **MAP P.10**



## Kobe Lamp Museum

This museum has a fine collection of lamps used before the advent of electricity. On display are Japanese lamps, hanging lamps, Western and Japanese oil lamps and various kinds of candlesticks.

■ Adults ¥400, Children ¥200  
● 10:00 ~ 17:00

(Closed Mondays, If it is a national holiday, closed the following day)  
■ (078)333-5310 **MAP P.9**



## Kobe Doll Museum

Antique and mechanical dolls from all over the world are collected here. Exhibits are systematically arranged to introduce the culture and history of the dolls. There are valuable dollhouse items in the museum shop.

■ Adults ¥500, Children ¥400

● 10:00 ~ 19:00 (Closed Wednesdays, If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)  
■ (078)327-4680 **MAP P.9**



## Koseitsu Museum

Displayed here are paintings, calligraphy, Buddhist art objects and tea ceremony items from the collection of Matsuyama Ryokubei (Koseitsu), founder of the Asahi News paper. Also displayed here are 18 items designated as Important National Cultural Assets.



■ Adults ¥700, Junior & Senior High and University Students ¥450, Elementary School Students ¥250  
● 10:00 ~ 17:00 (Open only spring and autumn exhibitions) ■ (078)1-841-0652 **MAP P.15**

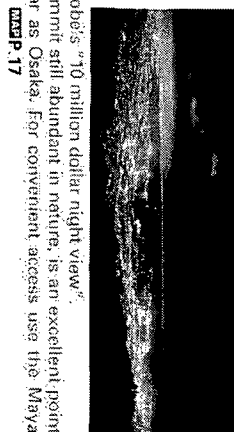
## Sightseeing Index 2

## Night Views

Kobe is famous for its "10 million dollar night views". There are a number of locations around the Mt. Rokko range that provide a magnificent view.

## Mt. Rokko - Mt. Maya

Stretching along the north of the city is the Mt. Rokko range with mountains 500 ~ 930m high. Ideal spots for a night view are the Rokko Garden Terrace, the Teranishi Observatory near the Rokko Cable "Rokkosanjo Station", and the Hachimaki Observatory along the Onoda Rokko Driveway. From these spots you can see Kobe's "10 million dollar night view". Also, Mt. Maya, rich in history, with its summit still abundant in nature, is an excellent point for a panoramic view that stretches as far as Osaka. For convenient access use the Maya View Line (Maya Ropeway & Cable Car).



## Kobe Nunobiki Herb Garden

If you visit the garden during evening hours, be sure to wait until sunset. From the observatory, you will see the city below twinkling in the dimming light.

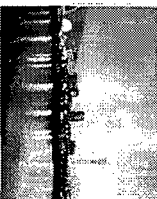
A night view from the Shin Kobe Ropeway is also recommended.  
■ (078)333-5310 **MAP P.7, P.17**



## Port of Kobe

The contrast of the striking red of Kobe Port Tower and the white sail-like design of the Kobe Maritime Museum creates a beautiful scene. Together with the lights of Harborland, this is one of Kobe's best nightspots. A view of Kobe from the sea is also something special.

■ (078)331-8181 **MAP P.11**



## Kobe City Hall Observation Lobby

For a convenient spot to glimpse a romantic night view of the port and city, the Observation Lobby on the 24th floor of City Hall Building No. 1 is perfect.

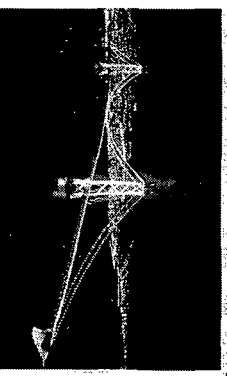
● 10:00 ~ 21:00 (Weekdays 8:15 ~ 1) ■ (078)331-8181 **MAP P.9**



## Pearl Bridge (Akashi Kaikyo Bridge)

1092 red, blue and green lights on the bridge's cables blend to create a rainbow of colors. On weekdays the bridge is lit up in the colors of the seasons; on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays it is green-blue, and there are special patterns that change for event days. The bridge is a must-see when lit up in a rainbow color on the hour, and a jewel color on the half-hour.

● From sunset until 24:00 **MAP P.23**





## Sightseeing Index 3

## Shrines and Temples

With its many shrines and temples, it is no surprise that the city of Kobe is a much of the old Japan of the past.

## Ikuta Shrine

The Shrine's vermilion gates standing in the middle of the downtown area is an impressive sight. The shrine, which houses the god to protect the city, has many devotees and has been made immortal by the poems of Sei Shonagon and Ueda Akiaki. It also appears in the ancient text "Nihon Shoki" (720) which is an indicator of how old it is. To the rear of the shrine is Ikuta Wood, rich in greenery and a favorite spot among locals for relaxing. Open to visitors.

5-minute walk from JR Sannomiya. Other lines Sannomiya  
 ☎ 078-321-3851

## Minatogawa Shrine

There is a shrine dedicated to the famous warrior Kusunoki Masashige (1284-1336), popularly known as "Nankō-san". The shrine houses Kusunoki Masashige's gravestone with an inscription by Mitō Mitsukuni. On display in the shrine's Treasure Museum are paintings, armor and other items related to Kusunoki Masashige. Open to visitors.

5-minute walk from JR Sannomiya. Other lines Sannomiya  
 ☎ 078-371-0001

## Nagata Shrine

Commonly referred to as "Nagata-san", this shrine has over 1800 years of history. It is familiarly known among shopkeepers, factory owners, and other business people of Kobe as the guardian of businesses, the bearer of good fortune and the protector from disaster and illness.

7-minute walk from Kobe Kosoku Nagata, Subway Nagata Jinja Mae  
 ☎ 078-691-0333



## Other Shrines and Temples

Ohsenji Temple (Arima Ohsen P.20)  
 Taisanji Temple (Isehin - Hekushin P.26)  
 Sumadera Temple (Suma - Maiko P.23)  
 Mt. Maya Tenjin Temple (Fukko - Maya P.18)  
 Shinkoji Temple (Nobukoji Temple - Hyogo Daibutsu/Yakuzoji Temple/Yanagihara Edo Shrine/Mada Shrine (Hyogo Tsu no Michi P.22))

## Visit the Seven Gods of Good Fortune

The Seven Gods of Good Fortune are a group of gods from India, China and Japan who bring fortune, longevity and good luck to those who worship them. However, their purpose is not only to answer the prayers of individuals but provide peace throughout the world and prosperity and happiness to all people. People pray to them so that they may obtain the various blessings of respect, integrity, prestige, charm, happiness, riches and longevity. At the following shrines and temples you can receive the blessing of the Seven Gods of Good Fortune.

Nagata Shrine ☎ 078-691-0333  
 3-minute walk from subway Nagata (Nagata Jinja Mae)  
 8-minute walk from Hankyu, Hanshin, Sanyo Kosoku Nagata

Dairiyuji Temple (Mt. Futatabi) ☎ 078-341-3482  
 No. 26 Bus from Sannomiya to Dairiyuji (the service on Sat. Sun & National Holidays only)

Minatogawa Shrine ☎ 078-371-0001  
 3-minute walk from JR Kobe  
 Near Hankyu, Hanshin, Sanyo Kosoku Kobe

Ikuta Shrine ☎ 078-321-3851  
 5-minute walk from JR Sannomiya  
 and all other lines Sannomiya

Sumadera Temple ☎ 078-731-0416  
 5-minute walk from Sanyo Sumadera. 13-minute walk from JR Suma

Nobusoji Temple (Arima Osen) ☎ 078-904-0414  
 5-minute walk from Kobe Electric Railway Arima Osen

Tenjoji Temple (Mt. Maya) ☎ 078-861-2684  
 7-minute walk from Maya View Line Hoshinoeki (summit station)

## Sightseeing in

## Himeji



Himeji Castle, also referred to as the White Heron Castle, is one of the most magnificent and beautiful castles in Japan. Ikeda Terumasa spent 8 years from 1601 building this castle. Its beauty and scale are awe-inspiring and it has remained standing since the Civil War Period (1490-1600). The Main Tower and eight smaller towers are registered as national treasures. And the castle has been designated as a World Heritage Site. The adjacent Koko-en garden is a spacious 33,000 m<sup>2</sup> garden that uses Himeji castle as a backdrop, creating a historical atmosphere.  
 40 min by JR from Sannomiya. 26 min by Shinkansen from Shin-Kobe

## Introduction to Other Areas

## Sightseeing in

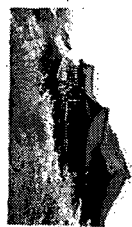
## Nara

Nara is famous for the Great Buddha statue and the Mizutori of Todaiji Temple as well as Kasuga Grand Shrine, Kofukuji Temple, and Horyuji Temple, all of which are designated World Heritage Sites. If you are willing to go a bit out of your way, you can visit Asuka-mura where you will find the Takamatsubo Kofun burial mound. Along the paths in the hills you can discover the roots of Japan.



## Sightseeing in

## Kyoto



The ancient capital of Kyoto is one of Japan's most famous sightseeing spots and a place every visitor to Japan should visit. The city was the capital of the country from 794 until 1868 and is today the center of Japanese culture. The city boasts 14 World Heritage sites including Kiyomizu Temple, the Golden Pavilion, and Nijo Castle. In fact, you can experience traditional Japanese culture throughout the whole city. Tea ceremony and Noh drama originated here.

## Kobe

## Sightseeing in

## Osaka

Osaka is Japan's second largest city and a center of business vital to Japan's economy. There are also many tourist sites such as Osaka Castle which dates from the 16th century. Today, Osaka is a center of youth fashion in western Japan, making it an ideal place for shopping. On Osaka's waterfront, the Hollywood Movie Theme park™ Universal Studios Japan™ is not only popular among Japanese people, but has many visitors from overseas as well.



## Kobe Event Calendar

## March

## Sake Breweries of Nada Stamp Rally

Visit sake museums, art museums, the zoo and other facilities and have your application card stamped. After filling up your card, send it in to receive a wonderful present.

## Infiorata Kobe

"Infiorata" is an Italian word which means "to lay flowers out". Tulip petals are laid out on roads and squares to create huge pictures.

## Daifuri Festival

In local neighborhoods in the Nada area, decorated floats are carried on the shoulders of participants wearing colorful happi, or pulled on carts to the animated sound of traditional "heyeshi" music of bells and drums.

## Suma Grand Tea Ceremony

The Onomichi Senke and Uta Senke schools of tea ceremony host this grand tea ceremony under the fresh green foliage of Sumadera Temple every year. (Fee charged)

## Kobe Festival (Kobe Matsuri)

A parades and samba festival are held throughout the city. The whole city bursts into a festive mood.

## Mt. Rokko Groom Festival

A festival to celebrate the achievements of the Englishman, Arthur Hesketh Groom, (1846-1918) who opened and developed the peak of Mt. Rokko and to pray for safety on the mountain during the summer season.

## Sara flowers and one-string koto recital

## July

## Minato Festival - Boat Tengoku

This festival features a garage sale, international food stalls, boat tours, and hands-on learning activities for sea navigation.

## August

## Motomachi Night Market

Summer and the Motomachi Night Market go hand in hand in this event. Food stalls line both sides of the 1.2km arcade that stretches from 1-chome to 6-chome.

## Samba Festa Kobe

Samba teams nationwide will present a flamboyant Samba Show.

## Arima Ryofu Kawa Zashiki

Open air platforms are built on the river banks. Come enjoy a meal, Japanese dances, and shamisen music played by "gaiko" performers.

## Minato Kobe Fireworks Festival

Fireworks are shot up into the night sky in front of Meriken Park, lighting up the Port of Kobe in summer colors.

## Shiman-rakusen-nichi

(Hoshi kudari-e-shiki / Man-to-e)

It is said that on this day stars from the heavens come down towards Kannon (the Goddess of Mercy), bringing happiness and protection from disaster. Also, on this day, one can receive the blessings of Kannon.

## Kobe Seaside Bon Dance

A Bon dance festival held on the waterfront at Meriken Park. Also popular is the "International Bon Dance Contest" in which Kobe's non-Japanese residents take part.

## September

## Kobe Nankin-machi Mid-Autumn Festival

The Mid-Autumn Festival is a traditional Chinese festival in which there is a lion dance and other events. Local gods are worshipped in the Nankin-machi square and in storefront areas.

## October

## Kobe Tourism Day, Kobe Tourism Week

During Kobe Tourism Week many facilities will be open for free and there will be many events so that many people can enjoy tourism in Kobe.

## Motomachi Music Week

This is a music event held around Motomachi and the surrounding area, where Western clothing, coffee, and Western culture were introduced to Kobe and Japan. Many music performances from a variety of genres are held on the street and in concert halls.

## November

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## Kobe Jazz Street

Here in Kobe, the birthplace of Japanese jazz, you can enjoy live jazz performances in many different spots throughout Kobe Jazz Street. (Fee charged)

## Rokujio Hachimangu Shrine Yabusame-shinji

This festival features archers shooting arrows at their targets while on horseback. (Designated City Cultural Treasure)

## Tarumi Kai Shrine kajo-Toyosai

A mikoshi (portable shrine) is placed on a boat and together with ten accompanying boats to protect it, sails east to the Port of Kobe and west to Maiko.

## Kobe Chrysanthemum Exhibition

More than 2,500 chrysanthemums are collected from around Hyogo Prefecture. You can view an assortment of displays from bonsai to a large variety of chrysanthemums. (Fee charged)

## November

## Arima Grand Tea Ceremony

An event held every year in memory of Toyotomi Hideyoshi who loved Arima Hot Springs. The beauty of the maple leaves of Zuhoji Park add to the atmosphere of the ceremony. (Fee charged)

## December

## Kobe Romantic Fair

The magnificent sculpture in light "Kobe Luminarie", the gorgeous illumination of Kobe Harborland, the exotic Nankin-machi (China Town) with its Chinese lanterns and luminous dragon, the exotic atmosphere of Kilano with its old foreign houses and the old foreign settlement lit up the Mt. Rokko Ice Festival and the Maya Viewline with its night scene, ride show the city of light, Kobe, shining romantically.

## Kobe Luminarie

This "Light Sculpture" is a requiem for the victims of The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake and a prayer for the recovery of the city. Kobe is embraced in warm light.



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# International Atmosphere and City Center (Sannomiya - Motomachi) Course

**Destination** Sannomiya, Motomachi P.27-F3

## Sannomiya

15min. 10-15min.

## Kitano - Kitano Meister Garden

12min. 10min.

## Shin-Kobe Ropeway to Kobe Nunobiki Herb Garden

12min. 10-15min.

## Sannomiya - Motomachi

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## Motomachi Area and Port of Kobe Course

**Destination** Sannomiya, Motomachi P.27-F3

## Sannomiya - Motomachi

15min. 10min.

## Motomachi Area (North)

12min. 10min.

## Motomachi Area (South)

12min. 10min.

## Meriken Park - Harborland

12min. 10min.

## Port of Kobe Cruises

## Getting to Know Japanese Culture Course

**Destination** Sannomiya, Motomachi P.27-F3

## Sannomiya - Motomachi - Kobe

15min. 10-15min.

## Sake Breweries of Nada

15min. 10-15min.

## Arima Onsen

15min. 10-15min.

## Suma Seaside Area and the World's Longest Suspension Bridge (Akashi Kaikyo Bridge) Course

**Destination** Suma, Kobe, Akashi P.27-F3

## Sannomiya - Motomachi

15min. 10-15min.

## Suma

15min. 10-15min.

## Maiko Akashi Kaikyo Bridge

15min. 10-15min.

## Marine Pia Kobe

## The Seasons of Kobe Course (Cherry Blossoms - Autumn Maples) Scenery

**Destination** Mt. Rokko, Arima Onsen P.27-F3

## Sannomiya - Motomachi

15min. 10-15min.

## Oji Zoo (Cherry Blossoms)

15min. 10-15min.

## Mt. Rokko Summit

15min. 10-15min.

## Arima Onsen

15min. 10-15min.

## Memorial Sites of the Hashin-Awaij Earthquake Course

**Destination** Sannomiya, Motomachi, Mt. Rokko, Arima Onsen P.27-F3

## Sannomiya - Motomachi

15min. 10-15min.

## Higashi Yuenchi Park (Earthquake Memorial Monument, 197 Kibo no Akari)

15min. 10-15min.

## Meriken Park (Port of Kobe Earthquake Memorial Park)

15min. 10-15min.

## HAT Kobe Disaster Reduction and Human Renovation Institution

15min. 10-15min.

## Hokudan cho Earthquake Memorial Park (Awaji Island)

15min. 10-15min.

## Hotels &amp; Ryokans

Suma Spa	Hotel Kobe Shisuyuen	078-341-2944
Korobukuro	Hyogo	
Suma	Kobe Luminous Hotel	078-511-7700
Sumakenhofhouse Aitoyado Kajitsu	Ryokan Tenma	078-575-6661
Seapal Suma	Nagata	
Maiko	Hotel Suave Kobe Asita	078-646-2411
Maiko Hotel	ML Rokko / ML Maya	
Seaside Hotel Maiko Villa Kobe	Rokkosen Hotel	078-891-0301
Seishin West (Kobe) / Hokushin (North Kobe)	Grand Hotel Rokko Sky Villa	078-891-0140
Kobe Seishin Oriental Hotel	Hôtel de Maya (National Hotel)	078-862-0008
Hotel Fruit - Flower	Rokko Island	
Shin-Kobe / Kitan	Koba Bay Sheraton Hotel & Towers	078-857-7000
Crowne Plaza Kobe	Hotel Plaza Kobe	078-846-5400
Green Hill Hotel Kobe	Arima Hot Springs	
Green Hill Hotel Urban	Arima Geyser	078-904-3737
Kobe Kitan Hotel	Arima Grand Hotel	078-904-0181
Hotel Isago Kobe	Arima View Hotel	078-904-2295
Hotel Kitan Plaza Rokkoso	Arima Royal Hotel	078-904-0541
Holiday Inn Express Shin-Kobe	Okunobu	078-904-0035
Sanomiyama	Kadonobu	078-904-0771
Kitagami Hotel	Kamiohobu	078-904-0531
Kobe Union Hotel	Kinzan	078-904-0701
Kobe Tokyu Inn	Ginsuiso Bekkan Chyoraku	078-904-3656
The U Kobe	Gekkoen Korokan	078-903-2255
Sanside Hotel	Gekkoen Yugen Sanso	078-904-0366
Samonmya Terminal Hotel	Motoyuu Kosentaku	078-904-0731
Business Hotel Tonnoue	Takayamasa Hanano	078-904-0744
Hotel Via Mare Kobe	Taketorihei Maruyama	078-904-0631
Hotel Sunroute Sopra Kobe	Tousen Gosyobo	078-904-0551
Hotel Tor Road	Nakanobo Zui-en	078-904-0781
Hotel Plena Kobe	Negoya Ryofukaku	078-904-0675
Hotel Monterey Kobe	Hashinoyabekkan Ransui	078-904-0825
Hotel Monterey Amalie	Hyoe Koyokaku	078-904-0501
Port Island	Hotel Hanakoyado	078-904-0281
Kobe Portpia Hotel	Miyukiso Hanamutsu	078-904-0166
Hotel Pearl City Kobe	Mint Resort Inn Arima	078-903-0023
Motomachi	Maple Arima	078-903-5000
Kobe Towerside Hotel	Motoyuu Ryuseitaku	078-904-0901
Kobe Plaza Hotel	Ryokan Yamato	078-904-0386
Kobe Meriken Park Oriental Hotel		
Hotel Okura Kobe		
Kobe		
Kobe Harborland New Otani		

## Kobe Sightseeing Facilities

Kitan	Kitan - Shin-Kobe	
Kitan Meister Garden	Kita Numbiki Herb Park / Shin-Kobe Flower	078-200-3607
Weather Cook House	Morogi House	078-242-3223
Uroko no-ke / Uroko Museum	England House	078-242-2338
Former Chinese Consulate	Yokan Nagaya	078-221-2177
Original Holland House	Chuteke House	078-221-3209
Former Panama Consulate	Kitan Foreigners Club	078-242-6458
Yamate Hachibank	Kioto no-ke Orendakan	078-261-3330
Kobe Kitan Museum	Kobe Nankin-Machi	078-332-2896
Kobe Lamp Museum	Kobe Lampwork glass museum	078-333-5310
Kobe Customs Exhibition Room	Torakuen Garden	078-333-3026
Takemata Carpentry Tools Museum	Water Science Museum	078-351-4488
Matsuyama Shrine (Treasures Museum)	Meriken Park - Harborland	078-371-0001
Kobe Port Tower	Kobe Maritime Museum / Kawasaki God Times World	078-391-6751
Splash Kobe (amphibious boat)	Mosaic Mosaic Garden	078-360-1722
Haroba-cho TEN×TEN	Fantasy	078-360-0731
Royal Princess/Royal Prince	Villaggio Italia	078-360-0039
Luminous Kobe 2	Concerto	078-360-5600
Himalayas Ginjo Brewery and Shop	Kikunasa Museum Sake Museum	078-854-1029
Kobe Shushinkan Brewery	The Hokusai Sake Brewery Museum	078-851-2722
Takemoto Kurango Club Sakasaka	Kobe Komori Mikonosato	078-842-2508
Swanonsuru Sake Museum	Kita no Yu (Spa)	078-904-0680
Kita no Yu (Spa)	Tokyo no Yodomo Museum	078-904-4304
Arima no Kobo	Arima Toys and Automata Museum	078-903-6971
Arima Wan Wan (Dog) Land	Philatelic Culture Museum	078-903-1199
Arima Hot Spring Taiko no Yu	Suma - Haruka	078-904-0024
Suma Aquatic Park	Suma Rikyu Park	078-731-7301
Suma Sango Amusement Park	Sumadera Temple (Treasures Museum)	078-731-0416
Suma Marine Fishing Park	Azur Maiko	078-735-2907
Marine Pia Kobe (Sakanato Gakko)	Marine Pia Kobe (Mitsui Outlet Park)	078-706-2011
Bridge Exhibition Center	Maiko Marine Promenade	078-784-3339
Sun Yat Sen (Sun Bun) Memorial Hall	Goshikitsuka Mounded Tomb	078-783-7172
Hirao Marine Fishing Park	Maiko Municipal Arboretum	078-783-3973
Maiko Municipal Arboretum	Rokkosen Pasture - Cheese Castle	078-891-0280
Maiko Country House	Hall of Halls Rokko (Music Box Museum)	078-891-1284
Alpine Botanical Garden	Rokko Garden Terrace	078-891-1247
Sanshin West (Kobe) / Hokushin (North Kobe)	Municipal Kobe Winery	078-991-3911
Kobe Archaeological Center	Glicia Kobe	078-991-3663
Sogo Undo Koen (Kobe Sports Park)	Yahori BB Stadium	078-795-5151
Universiade Memorial Stadium	Shawase no mura	078-743-8000
Hakogi Seinenya	Fruit & Flower Park	078-954-1000
Kirin Beer Kobe Brewery	Kita Kobe Denon Sports Park	078-986-8001
Yamanashi Science Square	Port Island	078-862-8136
Port Island Sports Center	Kobe Science Museum	078-302-5177
UCC Coffee Museum	Kobe Flowers and Birds Garden	078-302-8880

## Useful Information

## In an Emergency

☑ Accident/Traffic/Crime  
TEL: 110

Dial 110 on a regular or public telephone 24 hours a day. Calling 110 from a public telephone does not require coins or a card.

☑ Fire/Rescue/Ambulance  
TEL: 119

119 is in operation 24 hours a day. English OK. Calling 119 from a public telephone does not require coins or a card.

☑ Hospitals (For information on medical departments and visiting hours, please contact the relevant hospital.)

Kobe City General Hospital	078-302-4321
Kobe Minami City Hospital	078-576-5251
Kobe Red Cross Hospital	078-231-8006
Kobe University Hospital	078-382-5111
Kobe Kaisei Hospital	078-871-5201
Kobko Hospital	078-851-8558
Kobnan Hospital	078-851-2161
Kobko Island Hospital	078-858-1111
Kobai Eiseikai Hospital	078-784-7811
Kancho Memorial Hospital	078-881-6111

For a list of medical facilities that provide services in foreign languages, please visit:  
<http://www.hyo-go-jp.co.jp/href/ja/medical/index.htm>

## Telephones

☑ Domestic calls  
To make a domestic phone call, dial in the following order:

Area Code + Telephone Number  
This Area Code is not necessary when calling from within the same area.

## International calls

To make an international phone call, dial in the following order. Choose your access number from the international phone service companies below.

001 = KDDI  
0033 = NTT Communications  
0041 = ITT  
Domestic and international prepaid phone cards be purchased at convenience stores.

When making a phone call from abroad to Japan (Kobe) First dial the international phone call access number in your country, next the Country Code number for Japan (81), then the Area Code in Japan without the 0 (78 for Kobe).

## Bank

## Business Hours of Most Banks

Counter: Monday to Friday 9:00-15:00  
A.T.M.: Monday to Friday 8:45-19:00  
Saturday and Sunday 9:00-17:00

## Foreign Exchange Services

Foreign exchange services, including traveler's checks cashing, are available at any bank and some post offices with the sign "Authorized Money Exchange". Please enquire first for foreign currencies other than U.S. dollars. Major hotels and department stores also handle foreign exchange, but they charge handling fees.

Major banks with foreign exchange services  
• Sumitomo Mitsui Bank, Sanmoniya Station Building, Foreign Exchange Corner 078-291-0070  
• Tokyo Mitsubishi Bank Kobe Branch 078-391-8141  
• Citibank, N.A. 0120-039104

## Post

## Post Office

The "T" sign symbolizes a post office. Office hours are generally from 9:00 to 21:00 daily at the central post office, and from 9:00 to 17:00, Monday through Friday at local post offices. Post boxes in Japan are red and are marked with a "T" and the word "Post". Any shop or convenience store that has the "T" sign sells stamps, postcards, etc. An English guide to the postal service system by telephone: TEL 0668944-6245. Service hours: 9:30-16:30 (not available on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays).

There are 2 kinds of cash machines at post offices, CD (Cash Dispenser) machines where money can be withdrawn and ATM (Automated Teller Machine) where money can also be deposited. A cashing service for cards issued overseas is available at the 24,000 ATM machines in post offices around the country. This service is available from machines marked "International ATM Service".

## Domestic Mail

¥50 for a postcard and ¥80 for a letter (up to 25g).

## Overseas Mail

Postal rates for overseas mail vary with the type, weight, destination and type of service. Rates for Overseas Mail (example) ¥70 for an international postcard (to anywhere in the world) and ¥90 ~ ¥130 for an airmail letter (up to 25g).

## Miscellaneous Information

## Religious Facilities

Cathedral Church of St. Michael's Precinct	078-314-0992
Kobe International Baptist Church (Kobai Church)	078-231-7187
Jaum Temple	078-241-5995
Jewish Synagogue	078-221-7236
Kobe Eastern Orthodox Church	078-221-4925
Kobe Eiko Church (Protestant)	078-331-2286
Kobe Muslim Mosque	078-231-6060
Kobe Union Church (Protestant)	078-871-8844
Kobe Central Catholic Church	078-221-4632
St. Andrew's Church (for Kawanishi Church)	078-331-1606

## Youth Hostels

Hoyo Youth Hostel Association	078-380-3880
Kobe Tarumi Youth Hostel	078-707-2133
Kobe Kitano Youth Hostel	078-221-4712

## Other Information and International Centers

Kobe International Community Center (KICC)

• Tel: 078-291-8441

• Hours: Monday to Saturday 10:00-20:00

• Office opens 10:00-12:00, 13:00-17:00

• Languages

• Always available: English, Chinese

• Days / Language: Monday - Korean

• Tuesday - Portuguese, Wednesday - Vietnamese

• Thursday - Spanish

• Closed: Sunday, public holidays

• Hyogo International Plaza

• Tel: 078-230-3060

• Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00-20:00

• Rental rooms available until 21:00

• Saturday 9:00-17:00

• Closed: Sunday, Public Holidays

• CHIC (Community House & Information Center)

• Tel: 078-357-6540

• Hours: 9:30-16:30 Monday ~ Friday

• Closed: Saturday, Sunday, Public holidays

• Kobe City Information Center

• Tel: 078-322-0220

• Address: Kotsu Center Bldg. (1st floor) 1-7 Sanmoniya-cho Chuo-ku Kobe

• Hours: 9:00-19:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)

• Closed: P9

• Tourist Information Center

• JR Shin-kohe Sta. Tourist Information Center

• Tel: 078-241-9550

• Address: JR Shin-kohe Station 2F 1-3-1 Kano-cho Chuo-ku Kobe

• Hours: 9:00-18:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)

• Closed: P7

• Kitano Tourist Information Center

• Tel: 078-251-8360

• Address: 3-10-20 Kitano-cho, Chuo-ku Kobe

• Hours: Apr. ~ Nov.: 9:00 ~ 18:00

• Dec. ~ Mar.: 9:00 ~ 17:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)

• Closed: P7

• Arima Onsen Tourist Information Center

• Tel: 078-904-0708

• Address: 790-3 Arima-cho Kita-ku Kobe

• Hours: 9:00-19:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)

• Closed: P19

## Volunteer guides for foreign tourists (Reserve on request)

Kobe International Goodwill Guides (KVGs)

(Language: English)

• Tel: 078-821-5456 (Ms. Imura)

• http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~ei5y-kbys/kobesggc/index.htm

• Kobe SCG Club (Kobe Seaside Cultural Guides Club)

(Languages: English, German, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Chinese, Russian, Vietnamese)

• Tel: 078-785-2898 (Ms. Hiraki)

• http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~ei5y-kbys/kobesggc/index.htm

• Kobe Student Guide (Language: English)

• Email: [ksg-nl@ml-h8.infoseek.co.jp](mailto:ksg-nl@ml-h8.infoseek.co.jp)

• http://www.geocities.co.jp/CollegeLife/3136/

• Tourist Information Inquiries

Tourism and Convention Division,

Kobe City Government

(Closed: Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays)

• Tel: 078-322-5339

• Kobe Convention and Visitors Association

(Closed: Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays)

• Tel: 078-303-1010

• Hyogo Tourism Association

(Closed: Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays)

• Tel: 078-361-7661

• Information on the Internet

• Kobe Tourism Guide

<http://free.kobe.jp/>

• Kobe Tourism Weekly Information

<http://www.city.kobe.jp/tourism/>

• Kobe City

<http://www.city.kobe.jp/>

• Hyogo Tourism Guide

<http://www.hyo-go-tourism.jp/>

• Kansai Window

<http://www.kippoo.or.jp/>

• Kansai Conierge Site

<http://www.any-conierge.org/kansai/index.htm>

• Kobe Welcome Coupon (Kobe English Travelers)

If you show the Welcome Coupon, you can receive the benefits shown in the Guidebook.

• Distribution Place

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## A Profile of Kobe

1. Population --- 1,530,847 Males 725,780, Females 805,067 (Jan. 2008)
2. Number of households --- 660,251 (Jan. 2008)
3. Non-Japanese population --- 43,679/124 Countries (Jan. 2008)
4. Area --- 562.80km<sup>2</sup> (Jan. 2008)
5. Highest point (Mt. Rokko) --- 931.3 m
6. Climate

Average temperature / 16.5°C (61.7°F) (1971 - 2005 average)

High / 38.3°C (101.8°F) (Aug 1894) Low / -7.2°C (19°F) (Feb. 1981)

Humidity 84% (average) Annual rainfall 1,284.7 mm (average)

### 7. Sister Cities

Seattle (U.S.A.), Marseilles (France), Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), Riga (Latvia), Brisbane (Australia), Barcelona (Spain), Tianjin (China), Friendship and Cooperation City: Philadelphia (U.S.A.)

### 8. Sister Ports

Port of Seattle (U.S.A.), Port of Rotterdam (The Netherlands), Port of Tianjin (China)

### 9. Number of schools (May 2007)

Nursery Schools 155 (22,489 children) / Elementary Schools 174 (81,999 pupils) / Junior High Schools 104 (42,445 students) / Senior High Schools 58 (42,353 students) / Colleges & Technical Colleges 8 (4,054 students) / Universities 20 (68,647 students) / Special needs school 10 (1,000 students) / Vocational Schools & Colleges 78 (15,167 students)

### 10. International Schools & Number of students and children 2,242 (May 2007)

11. Number of overseas students 1,814 (79 countries and regions: Nov. 2007)

### 12. The origin of Kobe's name

It is said that Kobe got its name from the ancient practice of tax payments to Shinto shrines. Three kinds of taxes were paid: "ISO" (tax paid with horses), "KO" (tax paid by labor) and "CHO" (tax paid in cash). These taxes were shipped means of support and maintenance and were called "Kanto". The kanji (Chinese characters) of "Kanto" (Kobe) are the same as "Kobe".

### 13. City symbols

(1) City symbol --- Port of Kobe Shrine, originally referred to as "Kobe Port Shrine". Because of the shrine's character that appeared in the middle of Kobe's urban area, the shrine is called "Kobe Shrine". The shrine is located at 1-1-1, Minato-ku, Kobe.



### (2) City flower --- Hydrangea

### (3) City tree --- Sawadum

### (4) City bird --- Sawadum

14. Population (Jan. 2008) --- 20 male 2,579,029, female 2,916,201 (Jan. 2008)

15. Number of households --- 660,251 (Jan. 2008)

16. Area --- 562.80km<sup>2</sup> (Jan. 2008)

17. Average --- 8,324.1mm (Jan. 2008)

18. Highest point (Mt. Rokko) --- 931.3 m

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